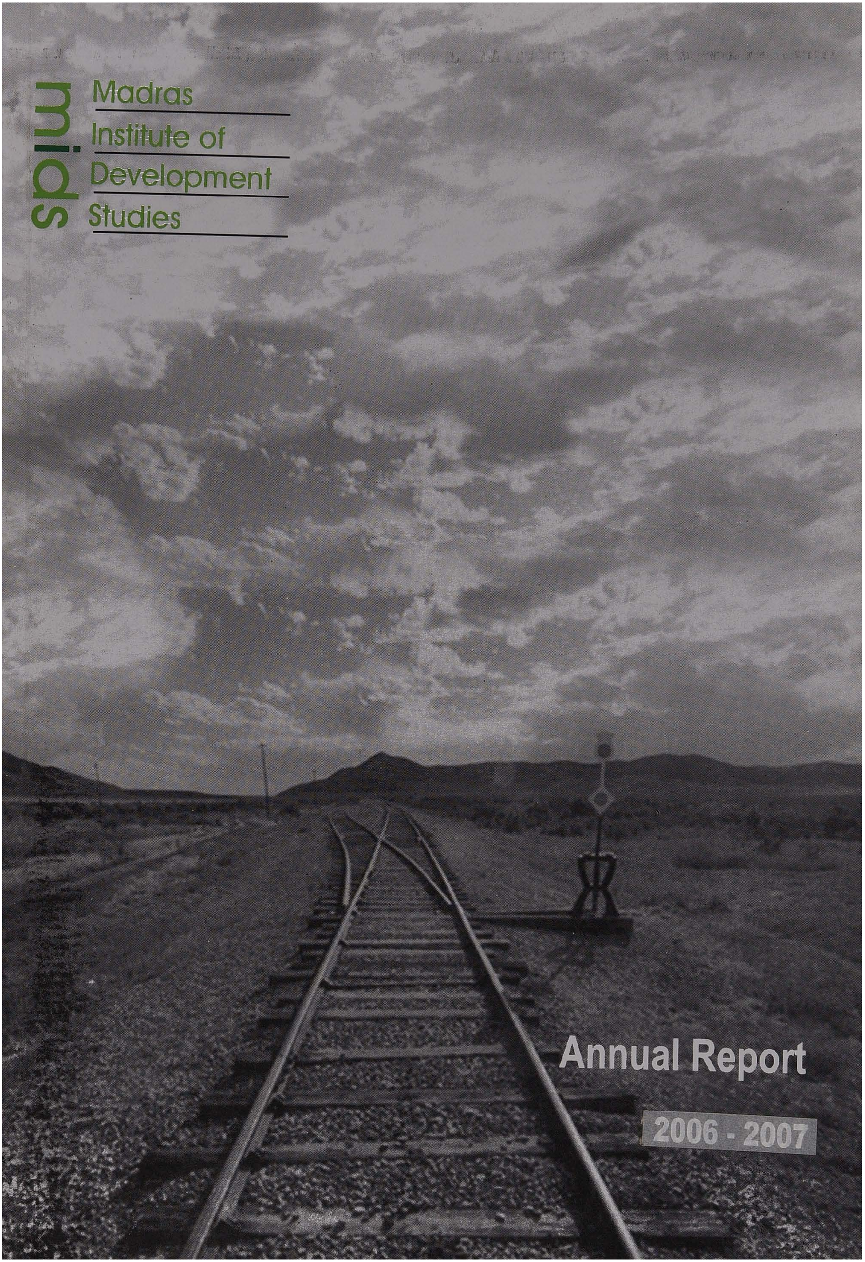

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Dr. Malcolm S. Adiseshiah and his wife Elizabeth founded the Madras Institute of Development Studies (MIDS) in 1971 with the following objectives :

- To undertake studies and research pertaining to development problems with special reference to the agro-rural aspects of Tamil Nadu and the problems of the economically and socially backward sections of the population throughout the country.
- To conduct seminars and conferences on development problems and programmes of Tamil Nadu.
- To foster inter-university cooperation among the social scientists of the Universities of the four southern states.
- To promote interdisciplinary research, and bring out publications relating to the above three functions.

In 1977, MIDS was reconstituted as a national institute jointly sponsored by the Indian Council of Social Science Research, New Delhi and the Government of Tamil Nadu.

The research concerns of the faculty are wide ranging from the concerns of development economics such as agriculture, rural development, industry, urbanisation and labour, to emerging interdisciplinary areas such as gender, environment, human development, social and political movements, and social criticism.

Through its seminars and workshops, MIDS has become a centre for critical thinking on development issues, particularly relating to Tamil Nadu. The service of faculty members is increasingly sought by State and Central Government departments, autonomous agencies, Universities and Colleges, Non-Government and International organisations.

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Nagaraj K, Professor	• Rural development and urbanization and demography.
Padmini Swaminathan, Professor & Director	• Political economy in general; special focus on industrial and labour economics; and gender studies.
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Subramanian S, Professor	• Social choice theory; poverty and inequality; development economics.
Venkatachalapathy A R, Professor	• Social history; cultural history and intellectual history.
Ajit Menon, Associate Professor (since November 2006)	• The political economy of natural resource use and environmental policy; decentralization and state-civil society dynamics; environmental history and agrarian transformation.
Anandhi S, Associate Professor	• Gender; caste and identity politics.
Ananta K Giri, Associate Professor	• Social movements and social transformation; social theory, criticism and creativity.
Chandrasekara Naidu V, Associate Professor	• Agricultural transformation and poverty; village studies and decentralization of administration.

Venkatachalam L, Associate Professor (since December 2006)	• Environmental economics; ecological economics, behavioural economics and institutional economics
Ganesh Prasad G S, Assistant Professor	• Decentralisation; rural development and natural resource management with special emphasis on water management.
Karen Coelho, Assistant Professor (Since September 2006)	• Urban anthropology, state reforms and urban Water management.
Kripa Ananthpur, Assistant Professor	• Civil society and governance; local institutions; local governance; farmers' movements; and women's political participation in local governance.
Lakshmanan C, Assistant Professor	• Political theory and culture; political economy; Dravidian politics; subordinated social groups/ movement; governance and film studies.
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Sivasubramaniyan K, Assistant Professor	• Agriculture; water management; irrigation; irrigation institutions; rural development; village studies; coastal environment management; pollution problems.
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Books

Title	Author and Affiliation
2007	
Dravida Chandru: Ellisum Dravida Mozhigalum	Thomas R. Trautmann University of Michigan
2003	
Avala Nilaiyil Thamizhaga Aarugal	S. Janakarajan, MIDS

Malcolm Adiseshiah Memorial Series

Malcolm Adiseshiah Memorial Lectures

Title	Author and Affiliation
2006	
Dalit Studies as Pedagogical Practice: Claiming more than just a 'Little Place' in the Academia	Sharmila Rege Professor, Department of Sociology University of Pune
2005	
Cultural Politics of Environment and Development: The Indian Experience	Amita Baviskar Associate Professor Department of Sociology University of Delhi
2004	
Whither the Indian Village?: Culture and Agriculture in "Rural" India	Dipankar Gupta Professor Centre for the Study of Social Systems JNU, New Delhi
2003	
State, Households and Markets in Education	Jandhyala B G Tilak Professor, NIEPA, New Delhi
2002	
Gender Inequalities: Neglected Dimensions and Hidden Facets	Bina Agarwal Professor, IEG, Delhi

Founder's Day Lectures

Title	Author and Affiliation
2006	
Development as a Human Right or as Political Largesse? Does it make any difference?	Upendra Baxi Professor of Law University of Warwick, UK
2004	
Globalization: Its Portents for Indian Culture	U. R. Anantha Murthy Jnanpith Award Winner

Working Papers

WP No.	Title	Author
2007		
200	Exploring the Importance of Excess Female Mortality and Discrimination in 'Natality' in Explaining the 'Lowness' of the Sex Ratio in India	D. Jayaraj
199	Welfare Pluralism: A Post Modern Rationale in Policy Making	K. Jayashree
198	Making It Relevant: Mapping the Meaning of Women's Studies in Tamilnadu	S. Anandhi Padmini Swaminathan
2006		
197	Understanding the Struggle for Panchama Land	C. Jerome Samraj
196	Urban water conflicts in Indian cities: Man-made scarcity as a critical factor	S. Janakarajan Marie Llorente Marie-Hélène Zérah
2005		
195	Drought, Agriculture, and Rural Livelihood: A Case Study of Bolangir District, Orissa	Mahendra Nayak
194	Farm Level Land and Water Productivity in Tank Irrigation: Some Methodological Issues	K. Sivasubramaniyan and R. Sakthivadivel
193	Water Governance: A Historical Understanding of Mahanadi River Basin, Orissa	Sushanta Kumar Mahapatra
192	Creative Social Research: Rethinking Theories and Methods and the Calling of an Ontological Epistemology of Participation	Ananta Kumar Giri
2004		
191	Microfinance - the Silver Bullet for Empowerment: Some Questions	K. Kalpana
190	GATT, WTO and Rules on Regional Integration	Moana Bhagabati
189	The Shifting Trajectories in Microfinance Discourse: A critical reading of the Anti-Poverty Dimensions of Microfinance programmes	K. Kalpana
188	Facilitating India's Trading Environment: An Overview	Nirmal Sengupta and Moana Bhagabati
187	Interfaces in Local Governance - A Study in Karnataka	Kripa Ananthpur
186	The Trauma of 'Wage Employment' and the 'Burden of Work' for Women in India: Evidences and Experiences	Padmini Swaminathan
185	Delegation to Devolution: West Bengal	Manabi Majumdar and Indrashis Banerjee
184	Delegation to Devolution: Karnataka	V. K. Natraj and Kripa Ananthpur
183	Efficiency of Water Use in Indian Agriculture	A. Vaidyanathan with K. Sivasubramaniyan

2003

182	A Gossipmonger's Revisit to Chettipalayam	S. Neelakantan
181	Intellectual Property Rights for Traditional Knowledge – Economic Analysis of an Incentive System	K. Aparna Bhagirathy
180	Does better health influence economic performance in India? An exploratory analysis at the district level	Atheendar S. Venkataramani
179	Conditions and Characteristics of well Irrigation under Palar Basin, Tamilnadu	A. Vaidyanathan, K. Sivasubramaiyan and S. Mariasusai
178	Knowledge and human liberation: Jurgen Habermas, Sri Aurobindo and beyond	Ananta Kumar Giri

2002

177	A school for the subject: The vision and experiments of integral education	Ananta Kumar Giri
176	Spiritual cultivation for a secular society	Ananta Kumar Giri
175	Soiled Agriculture and spoiled environment: Socio-economic impact of groundwater pollution in Tamilnadu	S. Janakarajan
174	Are wells a potential threat to farmers' well-being? The case of deteriorating groundwater irrigation in Tamilnadu	S. Janakarajan and Marcus Moench
173	Alapakkam A Resurvey	K. Sivasubramaniyan
172	Water Markets, Commodity Chains and the Value of Water	Marcus Moench and S.Janakarajan
171	State in perplexity: The politics of water rights and system turnover in Tamil Nadu	A. Rajagopal and S. Janakarajan
170	Decentralisation reforms and public schools: A human development perspective	Manabi Majumdar
169	Some Observations on Food Security, Sufficiency and Safety	V. Chandrasekara Naidu
168	Labour – Intensive Industries But Units Without 'Workers': Where Will ILO's Social Dialogue Begin?	Padmini Swaminathan
167	Print Culture amongst Tamils and Tamil Muslims in Southeast Asia, c.1860-1960	Dr. S.M.A.K. Fakhri
166	A Study of Enathimelpakkam Village at the Millennium Threshold	V. Chandrasekara Naidu

2001

165	Rule of law and Indian society: Colonial encounters, post-colonial experiments and beyond	Ananta Kumar Giri
164	Valued added Tax Preparation: Structure and Administration	Parthasarathi Shome
163	Trends in the costs of irrigation across different states in India: The case of major and medium projects	A. Rajagopal and A.Vaidyanathan

Themes in Social Sector Research: The S. Guhan Memorial Series

(a) Discussion Paper

No.	Title	Author
2007		
10	Factors Contributing to the Declining Trend in Sex-Differentials in Mortality in India: An Exploratory Analysis	D. Jayaraj
2004		
9	Horizontal and vertical inequality: Some interconnections and indicators	D. Jayaraj and S. Subramanian
2002		
8	Measuring literacy: Some extensions of the Basu-Foster framework	S. Subramanian
7	Assessing the 'agedness' of a population (Discussion Papers 6 & 7 published as one volume)	D. Jayaraj and S. Subramanian
6	Comparing the age structures of populations	D. Jayaraj and S. Subramanian
2001		
5	The Sex Ratio at birth and its determinants: An Exploratory Analysis	D. Jayaraj
2000		
4	The Educational Challenge before the 'Knowledge Economy': Implications for Planning and Financing	Manabi Majumdar
3	Poverty Measurement and the Repugnant Conclusion	S. Subramanian
2	Development as Freedom: Taking Economics Beyond Commodities - The Cautious Boldness of Amartya Sen	Des Gasper
1	Group Affiliation, Externality, and the Measurement of Poverty	D. Jayaraj and S. Subramanian

(b) Monographs

No.	Title	Author
2007		
6	Modernity and Status Autonomy: Reflections on A Survey of Two Tamil Villages	Frank Heidemann
2006		
5	Socio-economic factors underlying growth of silk-weaving in the Arni region - A preliminary study	D. Jayaraj and K. Nagaraj
4	Delegation to Devolution: A comparative study	V. K. Natraj, Manabi Majumdar Kripa Ananthpur, G. S. Ganesh Prasad and Indrashis Banerjee
2004		
3	Water management and agriculture in the Palar and the Parambikulam Aliyar systems in Tamilnadu	A. Vaidyanathan and S. Janakarajan
2000		
2	Aspects of Global Deprivation and Disparity: A Child's Guide to Some Simple-Minded Arithmetic	S. Subramanian
1	Fertility Decline in Tamil Nadu: Social Capillarity in Action?	K. Nagaraj

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Institutionalising the Ph.D. programme of the Institute

A major academic initiative of 2006-07 is the institutionalization of the Ph.D. programme of the Institute, a move begun way back in 2000 when the then Academic Council of the Institute discussed a Note on the Ph.D. programme prepared by Professor Nagaraj. The Note identified a number of problems plaguing the programme, most important among them being the lack of an institutionally administered programme and absence of continuous performance evaluation of students admitted into the programme. The truncation of the duration of fellowship from 4 to 3 years by ICSSR and the low quantum of ICSSR fellowship compared to UGC compounded the problem further.

In 2004, the Academic Council was informed that the Malcolm and Elizabeth Adiseshiah Trust had agreed to extend Ph.D. fellowship of students for the fourth year subject to performance evaluation. Some measures were therefore put in place for monitoring performance of students as well as for students to become eligible for the fellowship.

Since 2005 the above measures were further strengthened. The present Director had several meetings with the Ph.D. scholars to understand and resolve their institutional and academic difficulties. Simultaneously, the need for introducing an institutionally approved and mandated Ph.D. programme was discussed at several faculty meetings.

The matter is now being tackled at two levels. For scholars who had joined the programme prior to 2005, the following measures apply:

[a] Submission of work report annually to the Academic Council is mandatory for all categories of scholars.

[b] Every scholar has to present two in-house seminars in three years.

[c] Extension of fellowship for the fourth year [funded by the Malcolm and Elizabeth Adiseshiah Trust] is contingent upon proof of production of a Working Paper or its equivalent. Further, the last three months' scholarship is withheld till the submission of the final synopsis.

For students recruited in 2006 and subsequently, the faculty collectively decided to put in place a comprehensive Ph.D. programme, an outline of which was placed before the Academic Council at its meeting held on 18 August 2006. At this meeting it was formally decided to constitute a Faculty Committee to oversee the programme in its entirety. Accordingly, a committee was constituted which began working from the last quarter of 2006. Students recruited for the Ph.D. programme in October 2006 were the first batch of students to come under the institutional Ph.D. programme put in place by the Ph.D. committee and accepted by the Faculty. This programme envisages, among other things, the following: constitution of mentoring committee for each new scholar, orientation lectures by faculty, and procedures for continuous monitoring and evaluation.

For all scholars the Institute has facilitated English language classes.

Between November 2006 and March 2007 faculty has delivered almost 45 lectures on various aspects of Development Studies to the batch of students recruited in October 2006. Currently, faculty is in the process of consolidating these lectures into a few broad themes and eventually work towards a more structured course work.

Broad Concerns of Faculty Research: 2006-07

An innate strength of MIDS is the autonomy that it provides its faculty members to choose their area of work. This has contributed in no small measure to faculty of MIDS becoming multi-disciplinary in their approach to issues of development. Recognising the risk of underplaying the rich diversity of research interests and accomplishments of faculty in the year under consideration, the following nevertheless attempts to capture under a few broad categories the range of faculty work.

Democracy, Institutions of Democratic Governance, Decentralisation and Issues of Social Justice

Through her studies of urban infrastructure plans and services, Karen Coelho, an anthropologist by training, reveals several dimensions of the hidden and not so hidden manner in which the conceptualization, regulation and implementation of these services impact on the urban landscape and on the poor in particular. The range of work with which Coelho is involved and on which she has published and presented several papers at national and international seminars, touch upon almost all aspects of the broad themes mentioned above.

Deepening our understanding of the dynamics of local governance has been the dominant theme of the research work of Kripa Ananthpur during the year under consideration. In papers published in *Development and Change, Economic and Political Weekly* and in the Working paper series of IDS, Sussex, Kripa has not only mapped the pervasiveness of informal local governance institutions but has also captured, in a nuanced manner, their adaptation to changing times, particularly their ability to co-exist with formally created local governance institutions, apart from making themselves functionally relevant. Hitherto the field work on which these studies are based were conducted largely in Karnataka. Kripa is now coordinating a cross country comparative study of 'Informal Institutions, State and Public Action in Asia' covering Indonesia, Pakistan and India.

Ganesh Prasad has coordinated a number of projects that directly deal with issues of decentralized modes of planning using state-of-the-art-technology. For instance, based on a study aimed at evaluation of the Satellite-based Communications and Training Programme [SATCOM] of Karnataka, Ganesh Prasad has published a paper that outlines the manner in which technology has served to empower the marginalized members of society by providing them with information as well as enabling them to interact with their elected representatives thus enhancing the possibility of making elected representatives accountable. Ganesh Prasad has also presented papers at several forums on various themes of decentralised planning.

Democracy and Caste in India, has been the major theme of the research work of C Lakshmanan. As visiting faculty at the Department of English at the University of Hyderabad and also in his guest lectures to students of the Manonmaniam Sundaranar University, Tirunelveli, Lakshmanan has continued his critical examination of the changing discourse relating to caste in India, with a special focus on Dalits. Towards the latter half of December 2007, Lakshmanan will be coordinating a major workshop aimed at "Interrogating Dalit Studies in South India'.

Aspects of Caste and Gender in colonial and contemporary India has been the theme of S. Anandhi's lecture to students of the Indo-Dutch Course on Marine Resource Management jointly sponsored by the University of Amsterdam and Anna University.

In a paper published in the *Economic and Political Weekly*, Ajit Menon examines the manner in which law and rights intersect, to illustrate the point that rights have more often than not been mediated by the priorities of 'development' and 'environment'. By focusing specifically on the issue of adivasi (tribal) rights given the recent passing of the Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Bill, 2006, the paper highlights the multiple ways in which

adivasi rights have been limited or undermined in Constitutional, statutory and case law, namely through the non-implementation of law, ambiguities of law and watering down of law. Although the paper recognises that there are legal spaces through which activists must attempt to forward the rights agenda, a note of caution is given vis-à-vis the limits of law given the current political economy of development.

Through two pieces published in the *Economic and Political Weekly*, S. Subramanian has critically analysed as well as replied to his critics on the principle underlying the concept of 'creamy layer' as applied to affirmative/reservation policies.

Through a variety of publications and through papers presented at national and international seminars, P Radhakrishnan has contributed substantively and from a multi-dimensional perspective to the theme of Social Justice, and its interface with state in particular. The publications include a book on *Religion, Caste and State* published by Rawat, contributions to journals and newspapers on the themes of affirmative action in general, and OBC Reservation with special reference to Tamil Nadu in particular. Through his writings on caste and communalism, P. Radhakrishnan also interrogates Indian jurisprudence.

Ananta Kumar Giri provides an altogether different dimension to the theme of Social Justice through his writings on 'Global Justice', 'Global Peace', 'New Global Humanity' and 'Development as Global Responsibility' and through the range of papers that he has presented at several national and international seminars and forums. Further, Ananta Kumar Giri has delivered a series of lectures on the themes of Power, Freedom and Human Development, which, *inter alia*, also provide new directions in contemporary social theory.

Deprivation, Disparity, Poverty and Inequality

S Subramanian continues to engage with and contribute substantively to the above theme with a wide range of publications. These publications [a few of which are co-authored with D. Jayaraj] focus on the theoretical perspectives informing the literature in this area, while also critically engaging with the methodological aspects of their applications to the theme of well being, for example. The study of child labour and poverty in the Indian context is a case in point. Besides contributing to books, journals and working papers, Subramanian has also delivered several lectures on the above theme to students at the Institute

K Nagaraj has delivered twelve lectures as part of a course on Covering Deprivation at the Asian College of Journalism in Chennai apart from presenting papers on aspects of asset distribution and land holding in village surveys.

Aspects of the Social and Cultural History of Tamil Nadu

A R Venkatachalapathy has continued his multi-dimensional and bi-lingual exploration of the social and cultural history of Tamil Nadu. The diverse and substantive nature of Venkatachalapathy's works can be gleaned from his contributions to books, journals, papers presented abroad and through his lectures. A significant contribution during the year under consideration is the resurrection of A K Chettiar's film, In the *Tracks of The Mahatma: The Making of a Documentary* and about which Venkatachlapathy has an edited book published by Orient Longman. Equally significant is the task that Venkatachalapathy has undertaken to see through the translation into Tamil of Thomas Trautman's book, namely, *Languages and Nations: the Dravidian Proof in Colonial Madras*. The translated book has since been published jointly by MIDS and Kalachuvadu Pathippagam.

C Lakshmanan explores the aspect of Culture and Politics through studies of Tamil Films and Fan Clubs of film stars as well as through his lectures on Globalisation, Media and Culture where he examines the links between the three phenomena.

Sector-specific Studies

[a] Environment, Ecology and Resource Manangement

L Venkatachalam's study of the interface between environment economics and ecological economics examines the theoretical perspectives surrounding the debates relating to this interface, and, the methodological issues that arise because of the differing analytical frameworks that the two deploy. In a paper published in *Ecological Economics*, Venkatachalam grapples with the divergence that has emerged over time between the two streams in an attempt to understand what could potentially aid convergence between the two. Besides, Venkatachalam has also delivered lectures and presented papers at several forums on the above and related themes.

Ajit Menon's engagement with the theme of Environment, Natural Resource Management and Common Property Resources has a pronounced political economy perspective. His entry points into the subject have been through an analysis of the conflicts that arise in the course of 'development'. In a book jointly authored with several others, Ajit Menon examines the theory and practice of NGO-driven community-based natural resource management within the framework of emerging critiques of dominant discourses of development, the micro politics of decentralization and the 'projectisation' of community development. Ajit Menon has also delivered several lectures linking the themes of well being, equity and democratic decentralization in Natural Resource Management and on the economics of common property.

[b] Water, Irrigation, Infrastructure in general, and, Urban Services in particular

The themes of Land and Water Productivity with special reference to Tank Irrigation continue to dominate K Sivasubramaniyan's research work. In papers published in the *Economic and Political Weekly* and in the *Review of Development and Change*, as well as in lectures delivered across the country, Sivasubramaniyan makes a strong case for the revival of Tank Irrigation and Small Water Bodies to sustain agricultural growth. Presently, Sivasubramaniyan is also co-coordinating a project aimed at resurveying the 'Management of Irrigation and Its Effect on Productivity under Parambikulam Aliyar', a study sponsored by the ICSSR.

S Janakarajan's works relating to Water, emphasize in particular the aspect of conflict that arise over competing claims; the latter are either sectoral [agriculture versus industry] or spatial [urban versus rural versus peri-urban]. Janakarajan's engagement with this theme finds expression in a range of publications – jointly edited books to contributions to books and journals, apart from papers presented at several seminars at the national and international level. In addition, Janakarajan has been facilitating dialogues that bring together various stakeholders of water conflict zones in an effort to diffuse tension if not resolve the conflict. Another major research programme with which Janakarajan is involved relates to Climate Change and Adaptation, and the impact of the latter on coastal Tamil Nadu. This is part of larger initiative covering South Asia and for which Janakarajan has prepared the theme paper, entitled: 'Challenges and Prospects for Adaptation: Climatic Change and Disaster Risk Reduction in Coastal Tamil Nadu'.

Karen Coelho's contribution to the theme of conflicts over water consist in studying the creeping privatization discernible in the manner Chennai's water distribution is being reorganized but which, however is characterized by authorities concerned as 'Water Reforms'. Similarly, in a book entitled *Water Conflicts in India: A Million Revolts in the Making*, Ajit Menon has contributed a case study of the conflict over seepage water and competing needs characterizing the Kudregundi Halla Tank.

Vijayabaskar and Karen Coelho are both involved in a project aimed at studying 'Neighbourhood Associations as Collective Actors' with Vijayabasker studying Bangalore and Karen Coelho examining the situation in Chennai. Besides, Karen Coelho is also deeply involved both at the level of research and action in facilitating meetings and

discussions relating to the Second Master Plan of Chennai.

[c] Industry, Labour and Employment

Vijayabaskar's intensive study of the ICT industry as well as his extensive exploration of the multi-dimensional impact of the same industry on, for example, 'social change', have resulted in several contributions to books, and of which books, he is also a co-author. The impact of the form of organization of the ICT industry on nature and quality of employment generated is another important dimension of Vijayabaskar's research publication. In particular he has examined the theme of 'construction of work and employment' in the IT enabled services sector.

Based on a three-institute collaborative study of the cashew industry in India, Padmini Swaminathan has reflected upon the contribution to knowledge that the case study has made by combining the Value-Chain Analysis developed by economists with the theory of 'social embeddedness' developed by sociologists.

[d] Regionalism, Regional Trade Agreements and the WTO

Moana Bhagabati has continued her engagement with the above theme and has several publications, including some online, one of which explores India's role and status in forging regional economic agreements and examines the problems and prospects in the context of South Asian partnerships. Another paper seeks to understand the rationale behind the renewed surge in free trade areas as countries show a marked preference for a regional route to free trade over a multilateral approach. Besides, Moana Bhagabati has also delivered several lectures covering International Economic Relations with an emphasis on the transition from GATT to WTO.

[e] Aspects of State Finance

V Chandrasekara Naidu has dealt with several aspects of state and local body finances in his lectures delivered at training courses on research methodology and at national seminars on the Union Budget.

[f] Well being of Populations: Demographic Perspectives

D Jayaraj continues to explore intensively the linkage between changes in demographic indicators of populations and aspects of well being of these populations. These explorations have resulted in several papers and lectures. For example, one dimension of this linkage is the exploration of the welfare implications of a change in the sex-ratio of a population; another tries to understand the relationship between generalized deprivation and infant mortality in rural India; yet another explores the significance of excess female mortality and discrimination in 'natality' in explaining the lowness of the sex ratio in India.

[g] Health Status, Health Systems, and Interface with Issues of Sexuality

During the year under consideration, K Nagaraj has completed a preliminary report of a project aimed at devising a Comprehensive Health Plan for a Panchayat in Coastal Karnataka.

Anandhi, S and K Nagaraj have both made independent contributions to a a major project on Abortion in India coordinated by Leela Visaria and Vimala Ramachandran. While Anandhi, studied Women, Work and Abortion Practices in Tamil Nadu, K Nagaraj co-authored a study entitled Pregnancy Wastage among the Poor in Coastal Karnataka. Both studies have been published in a book recently brought out by Routledge.

[h] Education: Higher and Vocational

In a contribution to a book on *Education and Social Change in South Asia*, Padmini Swaminathan takes a critical look at the theme of employment and its interface with higher education. The paper dwells at some length on the nature of discourse that prevailed in colonial Tamil Nadu where attempts were made to initiate the process of industry-education interaction, which process is conspicuous by its absence in post-colonial India.

[i] Women's Studies and other Research with a specific focus on Women

In a paper jointly authored by Anandhi. S., and Padmini Swaminathan, the theme of what constitutes Women's Studies has been examined through a survey conducted in institutions of higher education in Tamil Nadu. The paper has important implications for bodies such as the UGC. The latter has, at one level, been in the forefront of institutionalization of women's studies in India, but at another level, has failed to achieve the kinds of intellectual and political changes promised by the founders of women's studies in India.

Apart from the above, S. Anandhi has delivered several lectures focusing specifically on women, as part of her visiting fellowship at Nagoya University, Japan. These include, among others, conceptualizing Women's Empowerment in Contemporary India using the micro-credit programme as an example, while another interrogated Family and Feminism based on a reading of two autobiographies of Tamil women.

Doctoral Scholars:

[a] Two of our scholars, namely, Jerome Samraj and K Jayashree, have contributed papers to the Working paper series of the Institute during the year under consideration.

[b] The following four scholars have submitted their dissertation to Madras University for the Doctoral Degree:

M. Velusamy

Gayathri Balagopal

Mahendra Nayak

Sushanta Kumar Mahapatra

II WORKSHOPS / MEMORIAL LECTURES / SPECIAL LECTURES

(a) Facilitating Negotiations over Water Conflicts in Peri-Urban Catchments: Training Workshop, *July 12-13, 2006*

Rapid industrial growth and fast urban expansion pose serious problems in many cities across the world today, more so in the developing countries. These problems would become more pronounced if industrial development and urban expansion are unplanned and unregulated. The biggest casualty of such scruffy developmental activities is peri-urban areas. Peri-urban areas spread around cities get exploited for their natural resources such as land, water and forests. Further, key factors such as unstable employment pattern, insecure agriculture, increasing rural – urban migration, rising number of foot-loose population and emergence of conflicting cultural practices and alterations in characteristics of traditional institutions contribute to marginalization process of peri-urban areas. Thus the status of peri-urban areas is eventually reduced to one of 'neither here nor there' situation, in which they lose their traditional characteristics of being predominantly agrarian economies and at the same time have no identity of being a part of an urban economy. In other words, the peri-urban areas are forced into a situation where they lose their traditional identity and livelihood options and at the same time get no assured benefits of an average city dweller like urban employment, urban infrastructure.

(b) One-day Workshop on Women's Studies, *July 14, 2006*

As members of the Indian Association for Women's Studies, Drs. Anandhi and Padmini Swaminathan were keen to interrogate, what they felt was ingrained in the name of the Association, namely, Women's Studies. In pursuance of this objective, they organised a brainstorming meeting at MIDS in May 2004, where teachers and researchers of women's studies from Chennai gathered for a freewheeling discussion. This meeting helped in arriving at a framework for undertaking a survey of women's studies in institutions of higher learning in Tamilnadu. A Guideline questionnaire was formulated for collecting basic data relating to existence of Centres/Departments/ Courses on Women's Studies, the nature of courses taught, activities undertaken by the departments/centres, personnnel instrumental in setting up such institutions in

universities, colleges, etc. This data was supplemented with visits to some of the institutions, including the UGC office in Delhi. Part of the mandate was to hold a workshop where the findings of the survey would be subject to scrutiny.

The Workshop brought together almost all heads and directors of women's studies departments/ centers, students and other researchers who had earlier helped with the survey. Besides, three resource persons, namely, Professors Maithreyi Krishnaraj, U. Vindhya and Dr. Sumi Krishna, were specifically invited to conduct a panel discussion on issues arising from the survey report as well as from presentations by heads and directors to whom a Note on the survey had been circulated well in advance.

(c) One-day Workshop on Cosmopolitanism and a New Humanity, *July 27, 2006*

The Introduction to the theme of the workshop was presented by Dr. Ananta Kumar Giri. Professor R. Radhakrishnan, University of California spoke on Humanism, Posthumanism and Beyond: Grievable Lives and LivableTheories. The afternoon session was devoted to three themes. The first was on Cosmopolitanism and Beyond, Beyond Cosmopolitanism: Towards a Multiverse of Transformations, second on Towards a New Poetics of Cosmopolitanism: A Session of Poetry and Songs and finally on Cosmopolitanism and New Humanity: A Roundtable Conversation.

(d) Malcolm Adiseshiah Award 2006, *November 21, 2006*

An eminent jury consisting of Professors D.N. Dhanagare, Uma Chakravarti and Shanta Sinha nominated Sharmila Rege, Professor, Department of Sociology, University of Pune, Pune for the Malcolm Adiseshiah Award 2006 in recognition of her distinguished contributions to Development Studies.

"In putting together learning and teaching materials from dalit collective action for interpretative and political engagement with caste, I am making a case for dalit studies as Phule's Tritya Ratna (third eye) – a medium for interrogating misrecognition of the social world perpetuated by the dominant. The practices of such a dalit studies must move within and across disciplines, back and forth between assumptions of theory, institutional spaces in the academy and democratic struggles outside it.

"How may intellectuals in their pedagogical practices reinvent their relation to the dalit movement in ways that move beyond relations of instrumentality or fusion? How may scholars guard against a scholastic bias but also a bias of 'campus radicalism' that confuses the things of logic for the logic of things? Dalit studies as pedagogical practice has to encounter these questions in producing instruments both for defence against the symbolic domination of the academy as also for a merciless critique of its concepts, metaphors and modes of reasoning."

– Crux of Dr. Sharmila Rege's Malcolm Adiseshiah Memorial Lecture delivered on November 21, 2006, which has since been published in the Institute's Malcolm Adiseshiah Memorial Lecture Series.

(e) Workshop on Research Methodology for Doctoral Scholars, *December 6-9, 2006*

The workshop sought to bring research scholars working on different dimensions of the above theme so as to: a) provide them a forum to interact and exchange notes on their ongoing work and b) Expose/Train them to the various conceptual and methodological issues involved in studying such processes.

Theme: ***Policy Changes, Industrialisation Patterns and Development Implications***

The Indian industrial sector, despite witnessing high growth rates in recent years, is marked by signs of distress that needs critical attention. Its relationship to employment generation is one area. In the manufacturing sector, while employment grew 0at 2.34% between 1987/88 and 1993/94, it slowed down to 1.19% in 1993/

94 to 1999/2000, a phase of rapid output growth. More important is the quality of employment that has been generated. In the overall workforce, there has been a decline by a one full percentage point in the share of the organised sector workforce (from eight per cent in the early 1980s to around seven per cent in 1999/2000). Within the manufacturing sector, the share of workers in the organised sector has declined from 19.7% in 1983 to 14.9% in 1999-2000. The service sector too has witnessed sharp decreases in the share of the organised sector. This is also a period when policymakers devoted a lot of attention to promote small and medium enterprise based clusters/industrial districts. It also needs to be remembered that in most states, especially in TN, the vibrancy in manufacturing and services sector has been on the back of a tremendous decline in agrarian growth, incomes and employment generation. The relationship between such informalisation processes, agrarian crises and forms of urban development is another critical issue.

These observations posed a number of interesting questions;

- What are the sources of dynamism of the Indian industrial sector?
- Are there variations across sectors/regions in the factors conditioning this growth process? What are the implications for visions of 'balanced growth' that undergrid earlier policy imperatives?
- What is the nature of linkages between different components of the industrial sector and the agrarian sector? Are the linkages more on the supply side than on the demand side? Are there positive linkages between different sectors within the industrial sector?
- How have policy reforms relating to industrialisation since the early 1990s shaped outcomes? Can attempts at labour and capital market deregulation be linked to changes in industrial organisation? If so, how?
- What is the nature of linkages between the organised and unorganised sectors?
- What are the trends in labour markets and wage income shares across sectors/regions?
- How do state level policy variations influence the growth and pattern of development of the industrial sector?
- A large number of policies have been geared to promote SME clusters. What are the implications?
- Similarly, a number of policies aimed at protecting unorganised sector labour, promoting industrial development and growth of the region, have been initiated in several states. What have been their impacts? What are the institutional factors that mediate between policy formulation and policy outcomes?

In all 25 research scholars and 10 resource persons including guides attended the workshop.

(f) Development Convention 2007, *February 22-24, 2007*

Recognising the need to foster interaction among similarly mandated institutes, the Madras Institute of Development Studies, under the then Director Professor V K Natraj, took a modest step in 2001 to bring together ICSSR research institutes situated in South India to explore the possibility of holding a convention on development annually in each of the Institutes. MIDS held the first Convention in November 2001 followed by annual conventions in other institutes.

A major objective of the Convention is to create an opportunity for younger scholars to present papers and also participate in the deliberations. To a large extent the conventions held so far have more than fulfilled this objective. The modalities for operationalising each convention have built-in mechanisms to carry forward the objective of collaboration and spirit of collegiality among the participating institutes.

2007 marks the beginning of the second round of development convention among the participating institutes. MIDS, the host for the VI Development Convention, came up with the

theme of "Transformation, Transition or Stagnation: Understanding Change in a Globalising Economy", emphasizing the need to capture the process and direction of 'change' through 'development' as well as examine the linkages between 'content' and 'impact'. Scholars were, in particular, urged to examine and capture not just the social impact but also the social content of macro-economic policies and of social plans and programmes. It was envisaged that, by examining and emphasizing the linkages between macroeconomic concerns and their ground level impacts, our understanding of the perceived disjuncture between growth and development, between conception of plans and their implementation, between sectors that are touted as productive and others as social and therefore non-productive, would be considerably enhanced, empirically, analytically and theoretically.

The selection of papers for presentation at the Convention was preceded by a rigorous process of refereeing beginning with sifting through a hundred abstracts, of which fifty-two were short listed. Ultimately about forty completed papers were received. The Steering Committee comprising of members from all participating institutes finally selected twenty-six papers for presentation at the Convention.

Apart from paper presentation, the Convention also included a public lecture by Professor Kaushik Basu and a panel discussion on the Approach Document relating to the 11th Five Year Plan.

(g) Founder's Day Lecture 2007, *April 27, 2007*

MIDS organized the Founders' Day Lecture on 27 April 2007 to honour the founder of MIDS, Dr. Malcolm S. Adiseshiah (1910-1994). Professor Deepak Nayyar, Professor of Economics, JNU, New Delhi delivered the Founders' Day Lecture on 'The Free Trade Doctrine & Globalisation: Theory, History and Reality'.

(h) ICSSR Distinguished Lecture: Commemorating 150 years of the First War of Independence, *March 29 and 30, 2007*

The ICSSR sponsored several distinguished lectures to commemorate 150 years of the First War of Independence in various parts of the country. These lectures were intended to capture the major transformation taking place in various parts of the country, from a sub-continent under colonial subjugation to a Republic, and to changes in its life styles; land, social-structures and relationships, governance, the economy, production practices; arts and culture. To create an occasion for reflection and analysis of contemporary issues of social transformation, MIDS invited Professor Sumit Sarkar to speak on "Caste Formations in Early 20th Century: Historiographical Approaches" on March 29, 2007. Professor Sarkar and a team of other researches have also been closely studying the situation in Singur and Nandigram in West Bengal. On March 30, 2007. Professor Sarkar shared his experiences on "Singur, Nandigram, and the current West Bengal situation".

III. INSTITUTE'S JOURNAL, *REVIEW OF DEVELOPMENT AND CHANGE*

Committed to critically examining diverse aspects of the changes taking place in our society, *Review of Development and Change* (RDC) is a refereed journal published twice in a year. RDC aims to encourage scholarship that perceives problems of development and social change in depth, documents them with care, interprets them with rigour and communicates the findings in an accessible way to readers from different backgrounds. Now RDC is in its twelfth year of publication.

IV. IT INFRASTRUCTURE

The IT infrastructure in MIDS consists of state-of-the-art computing facilities with latest hardware, software and supporting equipments. The computing wing is involved in planning and implementing the required IT needs of the Institute.

Presently the Institute has around 70 personal computers which include four notebook computers; network laser printers; laser printers; scanners; LCD Projector; and other windows based operating systems [windows 98, NT, XP] and application software. The following are the major services of the computer centre.

Web Server & Mail Server: A linux based web server and mail server is configured in the Institute and is hosted in the campus. The Institute has configured 128 kbps [1:1] leased line connectivity from VSNL for providing round the clock Internet facility to its members.

Network: MIDS has configured a structured Ethernet based Local Area Network (LAN) catering to about 100 users in the Institute with the required network accessories.

Library Information System: Linux based library server is configured in the Computer Centre. LIBSYS software is used for Library automation.

Faculty: Upgradation of Services: The Institute has provided personal computers and laser printers to faculty members. In December 2006 the Institute provided the latest HP Pentium Dual Core Computers to every faculty member of the Institute. These computers are connected with local area network to facilitate e-mail and internet access round the clock.

Students' Bay: The Institute has provided separate computer facilities for research scholars and with this two students are sharing a personal computer. These computers are equipped with: a) CD-Writing facility; b) connected with local area network; c) e-mail facility and d) shared printing facility.

Computer room: 10 Pentium computers with shared printing facility is installed in the computer room and is meant for Internet use of students and project staff.

Other Services:

1. PCs have been provided to administration, Accounts, library and publications sections.
2. Round the clock Internet access to the faculty members, students and other members of the Institute.
3. E-mail services for faculty, students and non academic section heads with web based and POP3 access.
4. Network printing facility for the members of the Institute.

Online access to journals [JSTOR, SCOPUS and foreign journals subscribed by the library] and database [Indiastat.com] via the Institute's public gateway.

V. LIBRARY

The MIDS Library has become almost the single important source for academic research in social sciences in Tamil Nadu. Over the years, despite constraints of space and at times, financial resources, the Library has managed to acquire and stock books, journals, government reports, covering almost all disciplines of the social sciences. Recognising the services provided by the Library to research scholars from across the country and abroad, the Ford Foundation enabled on-line access to journals for a five-year period through the JSTOR data archives. This facility provides access to almost 600 journals. Combined with state-of-the-art computer infrastructure, faculty members can now access these journals from their respective offices. Besides, enough PCs have been provided in the Reading room of the library to enable non-MIDS scholars to access the on-line journals..

Between July 2006-June 2007 the library added 1126 titles including bound volume of journals.

Mrs. K. Vijayalakshmi, Technical Assistant retired from service on 30-04-2007 after serving in the library for almost 25 years. Our Librarian Mrs. S. Subbalakshmi is due for retirement on 31-07-2007. The Institute is making necessary arrangement to fill these crucial vacancies.

VI. ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES: 2007-8

For the year 2007-8 the following are some of the academic activities planned:

- Translation into Tamil of a book a year. *Dravida Chandru*, the Tamil translation of Thomas R. Trautman's book, *Languages and Nations: The Dravidian Proof in Colonial Madras* has recently been jointly published by Kalachuvadu and MIDS. The first book launch was held at a conference in the University of Michigan, USA where Professor Trautman and Professor Venkatachalapathy, among others, were present. Professor Nicholas Dirks of Columbia University of Michigan received the first copy of the translated book. A similar launch was held at the Institute on July 31, 2007. Dr M. Rajendran, Director, Tamil Development, Govt. of Tamilnadu and Dr B. Mathivanan spoke on the occasion.
- Research Scholars' Workshop: the Theme for the year 2007-8 is: *Critical Perspectives on Research Methodology*. The Workshop is planned to be held between December 4-7, 2007.
- D. D. Kosambi Centenary celebration lecture to be delivered by Professor B. D. Chattopadyay. A lecture in Tamil will also be held independently. to commemorate the birth centenary of D. D. Kosambi.
- *'Interrogating Dalit Studies'* – Workshop aimed at exploring the contents of Dalit Studies programmes currently institutionalized in various universities and other academic institutions. This workshop will be held from 10 – 12 December, 2007.
- Revival of the Inter-Disciplinary Research Methodology Workshop that MIDS used to conduct in the 80s and 90s. Tentative Theme for the workshop to be held between February 18-20, 2008: *Environment, Sustainable Development and Human well-Being.*
- Visiting Professorship Scheme to be revived.
- Papers presented at Development Convention held at MIDS in February 2007 to be readied for publication.
- Professor Amit Bhaduri has agreed to deliver the Founder's Day lecture 2008.

Faculty Publications
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Books

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G.S. Ganesh Prasad	(ed.) Transformation, Transition or Stagnation?: Understanding Change in a Globalizing Economy	MIDS, Chennai, 2007
S. Janakarajan	*Peri-urban water conflicts: Supporting dialogue and negotiation* (jointly edited with Butterworth, J., Ducrot, R., Faysee)	International Water and Sanitation Centre, Delft, The Netherlands, 2007
P. Radhakrishnan	*Religion, Caste and State*	Rawat, Jaipur, 2007
A.R.Venkatachalapathy	(ed.) A.K. Chettiar, *In the Tracks of the Mahatma: The Making of a Documentary*	Orient Longman, Hyderabad, 2006
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Ananta Kumar Giri	Global Justice and the Calling of Sharing, *Globalizing Economy and Civilizational Agenda* (ed.), Saikaew Thipakorn & Surichai Wungaeo	Bangkok: Institute of Asian Studies, Chulalongkorn University and Japan Foundation
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	Managing Water Resources — Policies, Institutions and Technologies	V. Ratna Reddy, S. Mahendra Dev	*The Hindu*, April 24, 2007
D. Jayaraj	Fertility Transition in South India	Christophe Z. Guilmoto and S. Irudaya Rajan, editors	*Studies in Family Planning*, December 2006
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Ajit Menon

Engaging with the Law on Adivasi Rights, *Economic and Political Weekly*, 42 (24), 2007

This paper explores the manner in which law and protective social legislation in India is made and how it works (or does not work) in practice by focusing specifically on the issue of adivasi (tribal) rights given the recent passing of the Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Bill, 2006. The paper traces the genealogy of adivasi rights in the post-colonial period and the temporal dimension of it. It also examines the manner in which adivasi rights have been linked to wider social and environmental rights. The paper argues that a careful examination of the manner in which law and rights intersect illustrates that rights have more often than not been mediated by the priorities of 'development' and 'environment'. The paper highlights multiple ways in which adivasi rights have been limited or undermined in Constitutional, statutory and case law, namely through the non-implementation of law, ambiguities of law and watering down of law. These limits are understood in terms of a hierarchy of rights between social and environmental concerns and explored in the context of hegemonic discourses of development and the tensions that exist between the Centre and the states in writing and implementing law. Although the paper recognises that there are legal spaces through which activists must attempt to forward the rights agenda, a note of caution is given vis-à-vis the limits of law given the current political economy of development.

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S. Anandhi

Women, Work and Abortion: A case Study from Tamilnadu, *Economic and Political Weekly*, XLII, No.12, March 24, 2007.

Most of the micro-level studies on abortion reach a misleading conclusion that abortions are exclusively a method of family planning or family limitation. A study conducted in four villages of Kancheepuram district of Tamilnadu contradicts this orthodoxy and opens up spaces for looking at the question of reproductive rights anew. Women in the study villages consider abortion as a necessity to negotiate the harsh realities in their work places and deal with domestic violence and different social conditions and beliefs.

Making It Relevant: Mapping the Meaning of Women's Studies in Tamilnadu (Co-authored), *Economic and Political Weekly*, XLI, No.42, October 21, 2006

What is women's studies? Is it a discipline? A subject? What should a women's studies programme connote and what obtains in practice? Through a survey, this paper attempts to map the different aspects of the women's studies programme in institutions of higher education of Tamilnadu. The contention of the paper is that the forms and conditions of the institutionalization of women's studies in places of higher education to a large extent constrained the possibilities of carrying out research in this area as an academic discipline. At one level, bodies like the UGC have been in the forefront of the institutionalization of women's studies movement in India, particularly from the 1990s, but, at another level, have failed to achieve the kinds of intellectual and political changes promised by the founders of this discipline in India.

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D. Jayaraj

The Distribution of Household Wealth in India, *UNU-WIDER*, Helsinki 2006

This paper reviews the principal source of India's wealth distribution statistics, which is constituted by the five decennial Reserve Bank of India-National Sample Survey Organization Surveys on Debt and Investment of 1961-62, 1971-72, 1981-82, 1991-92, and 2002-03. The data available are described, critically appraised, and analyzed to present some salient findings in terms of the levels of debt, the levels of asset holdings across the States of the Indian Union and over time, wealth composition, and aspects of vertical and horizontal inequality in the distribution of wealth. The centrality of land and real estate in the wealth status of India is underlined, and some broad aspects of redistributive anti-poverty policy are spelt out.

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Karen Coelho

Tapping In: Leaky Sovereignties and Engineered Disorder in an Urban Water System, "Turbulence" – SARAI Reader 06 Narula, Monica, Shuddhabrata Sengupta and Ravi Sundaram, The SARAI Program, CSDS, New Delhi, July 2006

The invisible grids that undergird urban infrastructure services remain largely mysterious, imagined through a combination of scientific extrapolation, guesswork, narrative histories and popular knowledge. Yet they provide powerful frameworks for defining the orders through which slum communities are conceived and located in municipal services. This presentation juxtaposes the mythologies of grid-like orders against the contentious and politically negotiated realities through which the urban poor access water in Chennai.

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Kirpa Ananthpur

'Rivalry or Synergy? Formal and Informal Local Governance in Rural India', *Development & Change*, Vol. 38 No. 3, May 2007.

Informal local governance institutions (ILGIs) are prevalent at village level in rural India. Generally perceived by urban Indians to be 'oppressive', ILGIs also have progressive features and often perform a range of useful collective functions at the village level. Instead of fading away in the face of modernity, ILGIs have found ways to interact, often in a positive manner, with the newer, elected local government institutions, the Grama Panchayats. Based on field research in Karnataka state, this article tries to present a more holistic picture of ILGIs, including their role in village governance and service delivery; the ways in which they interact with Grama Panchayats, and the implications of their existence and role for local democracy. It also presents a tentative theoretical framework towards explaining why ILGIs in Karnataka particularly, and in India generally, seem to be less repressive, more functional and more likely to survive than in some other countries of the South.

'Ambiguous Institutions: Traditional Governance and Local Democracy in Rural India' (joint paper with Prof. Mick Moore), *IDS working paper series*, No. 282, May, 2007

'Customary village councils' are widespread in rural India. They are generally believed to be disappearing vestiges of a pre-democratic, hierarchical socio-political order. However, in Karnataka state they are actively taking on new roles, adapting to the democratic institutions around them, and providing a wide range of services that are valued by villagers, especially by women. They often interact closely and synergistically with the formal, elected local councils (Grama Panchayats).

Analysis of data from a sample of 30 villages shows that the relationship with the Grama Panchayats is a primary determinant of the level of activity of 'customary village councils'.

Dynamics of Local Governance in Karnataka, *Economic and Political Weekly,* Vol. 42 No. 8: 667-673, 24 February 2007.

Informal local governance institutions such as caste panchayats, street panchayats and customary village councils are often neglected in discussions about local government and are assumed to have lost their relevance after the introduction of panchayati raj institutions. The author takes a close look at these institutions in Karnataka and finds that, in particular, CVCs have not been marginalised by the formal elected bodies. On the contrary, they continue to play an active role, There are also strong interactions between the two sets of institutions, and CVCs have an influence on village politics and grama panchayats with positive as well as negative elements.

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MOANA BHAGABATI

Regionalism: India's Relentless Quest, *Survey of Indian Industry 2007*

India, a late entrant to the regional club, is now the hub of regional integration initiatives in South Asia, being a party to a number of regional trading arrangement (RTAs). This paper analyses India's role and status in forging regional economic agreements, and examines the problems and prospects, especially in the context of South Asian partnerships.

Expanding Scope for RTAs in the Multilateral Trading System, *www.centad.org/relatedinfo14.asp*

This paper seeks to outline the rationale behind the renewed surge in free trade areas as countries show a marked preference for the regional route to free trade over a multilateral approach. At the conclusion of the Uruguay Round of MTNs resulting in the WTO, the international trading system saw a reinforcement of multilateralism; but the last decades have also seen a regionalization of the world economy. The historical and regional profile of RTAs, the legal requirements within the GATT Articles of Agreement, the advantages and disadvantages of RTAs, and their significance to developing countries have been detailed in the paper.

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PADMINI SWAMINATHAN

The Interface between Employment and Education: The Need for a Discourse, *Education and Social Change in South Asia,* Krishna Kumar and Joachim Oesterheld, Orient Longman, 2007

In post-independent India the discourse around [higher] education hardly includes its organic link with 'development'. On the contrary, issues of industrial development, employment and education have become disengaged and compartmentalized both in theory and praxis. This disengagement at all levels [policy, research, practice] has led to a heavy toll, in that, fifty-two years after Independence, we are still left with large numbers of formally illiterate persons, large numbers of non-employable but literate persons, large numbers of semi-literate but professionally untrained persons, an economy that has experienced pre-mature tertiarization, where industrial expansion is limited, employment generation is low, and where hardly any substantive R & D takes place. This paper, divided into three sections, takes a broad sweep at the theme of economic development and higher education. It begins with a discussion of the employment situation in the country in the most recent decade based on the Reports of two Task Force Committees set up by the Central Planning Commission. We

take a critical look at the nature of discourse that the Committees have engaged with. The superficial nature of engagement, and the inability of both the Committees to come up with substantive issues relating to the theme of the interface between employment and higher education contrasts sharply when compared with the discussion that took place in the colonial period and the attempts that were made then to put in place a semblance of employment-oriented industrial education. We focus in particular on the Madras Presidency, since, more than any other province, the Madras Presidency had attempted to initiate [in the face of opposition from the Imperial Government] the process of industry-education interaction.

Revisiting the Cashew Industry in India: Combining Insights from Value-Chain and Social Embeddedness Perspectives (Co-authored), *The Indian Journal Of Labour Economics*, Volume 49, No.4, October-December 2006

The cashew industry in India is eminently placed for a review combining insights from a value-chain as well as from the social embeddedness perspective. Accordingly, this paper sketches a supply-chain for the industry and in the process also seeks to understand how gains, not necessarily only monetary, from the industry have been/are being distributed along the chain within India. The significance of employing a global value chain analysis lies in the fact that it highlights the levels of integration between suppliers, producers and customers across geographical space and over time. Nevertheless, while a value-chain analysis can facilitate an understanding of where different actors are located and what their relative benefits are because of being part of the chain, it cannot explicate why organizational patterns are what they are at different nodes of the chain. It is in this context that the sociological theory of embeddedness of economic behaviour becomes extremely useful and which has been deployed to understand the organizational pattern of the different nodes of the chain.

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K. SIVASUBRAMANIYAN

Land and Water Productivity in Tank Irrigation: A Comparative Analysis, Sustainable Development and The Indian Economy: Issues and Challenges, Sailabala Debi & V. B. Annigeri, Serials Publications, New Delhi, October 2006

Although several factors are responsible for productivity variations, if other things remain constant, water and its proper application is considered to be the prime factor for major productivity variation. In order to test this objective, a field survey in seven tanks in the Cheyyar sub-basin of the Palar basin was undertaken to observe and compute farm level land and water productivity. The results indicate that land and water productivity differ considerably with its location from the sources of supply, access to well water and duration of tank supply available for cultivation. One of the important findings is that either the tank supply alone or the well water alone does not help the farmer to get more returns. The required condition is that both these sources should be used conjunctively to maximize their returns from the cropping.

Sustainable Development of Small Water Bodies in Tamil Nadu, *Economic and Political Weekly*, XLI. No 26, June 30 – July 7, 2006

In recent decades the importance of tank irrigation has been declining gradually. To find out the causes and remedies an attempt was made to provide a comprehensive view of tank irrigation and its management based on available studies in Tamil Nadu and India. The study indicates, in all counts, expansion of irrigated agriculture in Tamil Nadu will be difficult; the same may also be the

case for other states in the near future. Hence there is necessity for the revival of tanks and also revival of Small Water Bodies in all states. Wherever tank irrigation systems are available, the well water recharge is appreciably more. Due to this fact, the right way to resolve our ever expanding water problem is to provide adequate attention to watershed development to conserve rainwater, revival of all types of smaller water bodies to recharge groundwater and to ensure prosperity in agricultural sector in general.

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S. Subramanian

Social Groups and Economic Poverty: A Problem in Measurement, Inequality, Poverty and Well-being, M. McGillivray, Palgrave Macmillan, 2006

This paper combines the themes of poverty and inequality, within a measurement setting, with a view to elucidating some of the complications that can arise, and how these might be addressed, when we allow for a certain elementary obtrusion of considerations of 'society' into routinely mainstream notions of the 'economy'. Specifically, the concern is with reckoning aspects of distributive justice from a *group* perspective, in addition to the more standardly *individualistic* perspective, with an emphasis on the sorts of conflicts which these alternative perspectives could engender, and how these conflicts might be reconciled in the process of seeking a real-valued measure of income poverty.

Indicators of Inequality and Poverty, Human Well-being: Concept and Measurement, M. McGillivray, Palgrave Macmillan, 2006

This essay aims at a broad, main-stream account of the literature on inequality and poverty measurement in the space of income, and, additionally, deals with measures of disparity and deprivation in the more expanded domain of capabilities and functionings. In addition to an introductory and a concluding part, the chapter has four sections. The first of these sections, on measurement of income inequality, deals with preliminary concepts and definitions; a visual representation of inequality (the Lorenz curve); real-valued indices of inequality; properties of inequality indices; some specific inequality measures; and the relationship between Lorenz, welfare and inequality orderings. The second section, on poverty, deals with the identification and aggregation exercises; properties of poverty indices; some specific poverty measures; the problem of plurality and unambiguous rankings; poverty measures and anti-poverty policy; and other issues in the measurement of poverty. The third section considers aspects of both congruence and conflict in the relationship amongst poverty, inequality and welfare. The final substantive section advances the rationale for a more comprehensive assessment of human well-being than is afforded by the income perspective, it briefly reviews measurement concerns relating to generalized indices of deprivation and disparity, and it discusses the data and policy implications of the more expansive view of well-being adopted in the section.

A Sort of Paretian Liberalism, *Journal of International Trade and Economic Development*, Vol. No.15/3, 2006

This paper reviews Amartya Sen's well-known result on 'the impossibility of a Paretian liberal'. In so doing, it takes stock of certain difficulties associated with conventional social choice theoretic formulations of the notion of individual liberty. An alternative formulation, in the spirit of an 'outcome-oriented' version of Nozick's approach to individual liberty as the freedom to fix certain personal features of the world, is advanced. An 'extended' version of a conventional social choice function, called a 'social selection function' (SSF), is introduced: the domain of the SSF is enlarged to include, apart from preference

profiles, what are called 'personal choice profiles' and 'rights-waiving profiles'. Within this framework, it is noted that a version of Sen's original impossibility result can be recovered. It is also pointed out that there is an alternative, ethically plausible construction which can be placed on the notion of 'Paretian liberalism', and it is demonstrated that this is a coherent construction

Comparing the Age Structures of Populations (with D Jayaraj), *Applied Economics Letters*, Vol. No. 14/7, 2006

This is an analytically simple note, motivated by the modest objective of presenting a visual aid to the scanning and comparison of the age structures of alternative populations. The means to the end are achieved by a graphical devise which is called a *binary age comparison* (or *BAC*) curve, which is obtained by plotting the cumulative age density function of one population against that of another within the unit square. The *BAC* curve allows a quick ascertainment of the unambiguous dominance of one population over another in terms of 'agedness', where such dominance obtains; and where thoroughgoing dominance does not obtain, it permits an assessment of the differentiated age structures, over different age segments, of a pair of populations.

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L. Venkatachalam

Environmental economics and ecological economics: Where they can converge?, *Ecological Economics*, Vol. 61 (2 – 3): 550 – 558, 2007

Environmental economics and ecological economics share the common objective of understanding the human–economy–environment interaction in order to redirect the economies towards sustainability. In pursuing this objective, these two perspectives utilize different types of analytical framework and are opposed to each other on many of the fundamental theoretical and methodological issues. While the environmental economics has progressed within a narrowly, but sharply, focused neoclassical analytical approach, the ecological economics has expanded by adopting a 'diversified approach', which led to widen the gap between the two. This article makes an attempt to highlight the divergence between these two perspectives on different issues and identifies certain research avenues that would potentially bring convergence between these two perspectives.

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A. R. Venkatachalapathy

(ed.) A.K. Chettiar, **In the Tracks of the Mahatma: The Making of a Documentary,** Orient Longman, Hyderabad, 2006.

In 1937, a 26-year-old Indian man aboard a ship sailing from New York to Dublin, decided to make a documentary on the life of Mahatma Gandhi. Over the next few years he travelled some 100,000 miles collecting 50,000 feet of film footage, with the outbreak of the Second World War jeopardising his search. The footage had been shot by about a hundred different cameramen over three decades across three continents. In 1940, he edited this into a 12,000 feet documentary. It was released with Tamil commentary, and shortly after, with a Telugu voice-over. Fearing government repression, the film then went into hiding. On 15 August 1947 the film was screened in New Delhi as celebrations rent the air. A few years later, in 1953, he re-edited the film with English commentary in Hollywood and screened in the USA. In the Tracks of the Mahatma is the story of the making of this documentary made by A.K. Chettiar.

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Papers presented at Seminars / Conferences / Workshops

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S. Anandhi	Note on Women's Studies	Women's Studies, MIDS	14 July 2006
	Rethinking families under the shadow of globalization: Women, Work and Abortion, The History of Modern Families in Asia	Department of Sociology, School of Letters, Kyoto University, Kyoto, Japan.	7 August 2006
	Fashioning the Self, Family and Feminism: Reading two auto-biographies of Tamil Women, Special Lecture by Visiting Fellow for the course on Gender and Development	Graduate School of International Development, Nagoya University, Japan	23 October 2006
	Conceptualising Women's Empowerment in Contemporary India: the case of Women in Micro-credit Programmes, Special lecture of the Visiting Fellow for the Faculty at GSID	Graduate School of International Development, Nagoya University, Japan	2 November 2006
	Work, Caste and Gender, Visiting Fellow special Lecture	Graduate School of International Development, Nagoya University, Japan	17 November 2006
	Aspects of Caste and Gender in Colonial and Contemporary India, Indo-Dutch course on Marine Resource Management	University of Amsterdam & Institute of Ocean Management, Anna University	7 February 2007
Ananta Kumar Giri	Sociology as Conversations: Glimpses from our Multiple Traditions	Sociology and the Limits of Loyalty, Freiburg	10 July 2006
	The Discourse of Secularism in Contemporary India: Moving Beyond the Impasse	Religion, Albert Ludwig Universitat, Freiburg	17 November 2006
	Discourses of Postmodernity, Cosmopolitanism and Beyond	Department of Political Science, Bilkent University Ankara, Turkey	14 December 2006
	Cosmopolitanism and Beyond: Contemporary Challenges to the Idea of History	Dept. of History, Bogacazi University, Istanbul, Turkey	22 December 2006

	A New Critical Theory and the Calling of a Post-Colonial Cosmopolis: Contemporary Issues of Self-Development and Inclusion of the Other in Reading Fakir Mohan	Fakir Mohan Senapati Seminar, Developing Countries Research Center, University of Delhi, Delhi	3 January 2007
	A School for the Subject: The Vision and Practice of Child-Centered Education in a Comparative Global Perspective	Dept of Education, Aalborg University, Denmark	4 March 2007
	The Calling of a New Critical Theory: Self-Development, Inclusion of the Other and Planetary Realizations	International conference in honor of Piet Strydom, "Critical Turns in Critical Theory", University College Cork, Ireland	26 - 27 April 2007
	Religion and Development in Contemporary India: The Self-Study Mobilization of Swadhyaya and the Calling of Transformations	International conference, "Religion and Develop ment: Crisis or Opportunities" Vrije University, Amsterdam	14 - 15 June 2007
V. Chandrasekara Naidu	ICSSR Training Course in Research Methodology	ICSSR, Dept. of Economics, Sri. Venkateswara University, Tirupathi	9 January 2007
	Some comments on Budget 2007-2008 & Indian Economy, National Seminar on "Union Budget 2007-2008 and Indian Economy"	Dept. of Economics, Manonmaniam Sundaranar University, Tirunelveli	23 March 2007
G.S. Ganesh Prasad	11th Five Year Plan – New initiatives for PRIs, Regional Workshop on 11th Five Year Plan	Union Planning Commission, Trivandrum	26 July 2006
	Issues in Monitoring SATCOM programme, Workshop on Training Elected Representatives of PRIs]	Government of India Mysore	September 27 – 28, 2006
	Approaches for Decentralised Planning, Workshop on the preparation of perspective plan for Gram Panchayats	Government of Karnataka, Raichur	October 8, 2006
	SATCOM – Review and Prospects, Meeting with Faculty of SIRD	ANS SIRD, Mysore	November 26, 2006
	Satellite Training Programme and its impact, Workshop on Decentralisation	Government of Karnataka Mysore	December 9, 2006

	ICT and Capacity Building, Working Group on Governance, Tamilnadu State Planning Commission	Chennai	December 13, 2006
	Ground Realities of Panchayat Finances – An inter-state Perspective (presented in absentia), National Seminar on 'Making Growth Inclusive with Special Reference to Imbalances in Regional Development'	Department of Economics, University of Jammu and Indian Institute of Advance Studies, Shimla, Jammu	March 12 – 13, 2007
	E-Governance and Empowerment of Social Backward Sections of the Society on Digital Era Governance and Contemporary Issues in New Public Management	Department of Management Studies, School of Management, Pondicherry University, Pondicherry	March 28, 2007
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Need to Modernize the Tradition: Changing role of Tanks in response to Scarcity and Variability, International Groundwater Conference (IGC 2007)	Tamil Nadu Agricultural University, Coimbatore	February 7-10, 2007

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	Theories and contemporary issues in conflict resolution, Sustainable Development & Livelihoods	Delhi School of Economics University of Delhi	February 6-8, 2007
	Capturing, Harnessing and Storing Rainwater: Mapping Tanks around Chennai through GIS and Water in the Chennai Metropolis – Towards a Lasting Solution	SICCI in association with TWAD Board, Metro Water Board and the Israel Water Authority, Hotel Chola Sheraton, Chennai	June 19, 2007
	A Critical review of Inter-state water disputes – The case of Cauvery, Dialogue workshop to review and evolve parameters for Inter-State Transboundry Water Sharing in INDIA	Global Water Partnership in association with NIAS, Bangalore	June 26-27, 2007
D. Jayaraj	Assessing the 'Lowness' of the Sex Ratio in India: Some Issues for Consideration	MIDS Monthly Seminar, MIDS, Chennai	April 26, 2007
Karen Coelho	Emerging Civil Society Formations and Urban Renewal in South India, Annual Meetings of the Society for Applied Anthropology, Tampa, Florida	DRC, IDS, Sussex.	April 2007
	Enclaves and exclusions: the politics of neighborhood-based civic activism in South India, Annual Meeting of the Development Research Center on the Future State	Institute of Development Studies, Sussex, Brighton, UK	June 2006
	The Slow Road to the Private: A Case Study of Neoliberal Water Reforms in Chennai, Water, Law and the Commons	International Law Research Center (IELRC), New Delhi	December 2006

	Civil And Uncivil Mobilizations: Notes From A Preliminary Mapping Of Collective Action In Chennai, Tackling Exclusion: Shelter, Basic Services and Citizen's Rights in Globalising Megacities of Asia	IndoDutch Partnership for Alternatives in Development, New Delhi	June 2006
Kripa AnanthPur (joint paper with Dr. Anirudh Krishna, Duke University, presented in absentia)	Formal Perceptions of Informal Justice: Village Councils and Access to Justice, Poverty, Inequality and Judicial Access to Poor in South Asia	CSLG, JNU, New Delhi	November 7-9, 2006
	Informal Local State in Karnataka, Informal Institutions, State and Public Action in Asia	Lahore University of Management Sciences, Pakistan, Lahore, Pakistan	March 18-22, 2007
C. Lakshmanan	Dialectics of Indian Democracy: Political Development and Culture 'Democracy and Caste in India' Dalit Intellectual Collective Conference.	Jointly organized by DIC, Mumbai, Centre for Cultural Studies, Hyderabad Central Institute of English and Foreign Languages (CIEFL), Hyderabad.	August 10-12, 2006
	Globalisation and its Impact on Dalits, National Seminar: Dalits and Human Development: Contemporary Issues and Emerging Patterns	Dr. Ambedkar Studies Centre, Babasaheb Bhimrao Ambedkar (Central) University, Lucknow	November 24-25, 2006
	Contested Ideologies: A perspective on the Political Economy of Tamil Films, National Seminar Nation, Region and Ideology in Film	ASIHSS Programme in Dept. of English, University of Hyderabad, Hyderabad	February 28 - March 2, 2007
K. Nagaraj	Employment in the Approach Paper to the 11th Five Year Plan, Workshop on the Approach Papers to 11th Five Year Plan	TISS, Mumbai	August 21-22, 2006
	(a) On Aspects of Land Holding in the Survey Villages (b) On Asset Distribution in the Survey Villages Village Survey Workshop	ISI, Kolkata	February 18-23, 2007
	Neoliberal View of Technological Progress in Developing Countries, Science, Technology & Society	TISS, Mumbai	March 1-3, 2007

	Farmers' Suicides in India: An Analysis of Secondary Data, National Review on Pesticide Suicides,	Sneha & Centre for Suicide Research, Univ. of Oxford, Chennai	March 29-30, 2007
Padmini Swaminathan	Renegotiating Labour Rights through Law: Resurrecting and Bringing back the State, Critical Legal Conference	NALSAR [University of Law, Hyderabad], Hyderabad	September 1-3, 2006
	Revisiting the Cashew Industry in India: Combining insights from Value-Chain and Social Embeddedness Perspectives, Sr. Helen Vincent Endowment Lecture	Stella Maris College, Chennai	October 10, 2006
	Revisiting the Development Paradigm embedded in Indian Planning exercises relating to Industrialization, Fifty Years of the Development Paradigm: A Reappraisal with special emphasis on India	Department of Economics, Calcutta University, Kolkata	December 29-30, 2006
	Feminist Knowledge production: How Relevant are our Institutions of Higher Education?, Women's Studies in Academy: Challenges and Reflections	Pune University Pune	March 16-17, 2007
P. Radhakrishnan	Academic Freedom from human rights' perspectives, Round Table on academic freedom	CODESRIA, Nantes	July 13, 2006
	Reservation or affirmative action? Lessons from Tamil Nadu, Assessment of the Reservation Policy in India, Centre for Political Studies, School of Social Sciences, JNU and National Commission on Religious and linguistic Minorities	ICSSR, Delhi	July 31, 2006
	Casteism, communalism, and Indian jurisprudence, Consultation on Law, Caste and Communalism	National Law School of India University Bangalore	December 17-18, 2006
	Academic freedom in India, Dr. S.V. Chittibabu Endowment Lectures	Department of Political Science, Annamalai University, Chidambaram	February 21, 2007
	Reorienting the Reservation Policy: Lessons from the past and from Tamil Nadu	IIPA, Delhi	July 13-14, 2007

K. Sivasubramaniyan	Tank Irrigation in Tamil Nadu, Rejuvenating Tanks for Sustainable Livelihoods – Emerging Trends	WWF-ICRISAT – ISEC - MARI, ICRISAT, Hyderabad, Andhra Pradesh	August 3-4, 2006
	Issues in Rehabilitation of Tanks for Irrigation, National Seminar on Dimensions of Agriculture Development in India	Department of Economics – Periyar University Salem, Tamil Nadu	December 14, 2006
S. Subramanian	Reckoning Inter-Group Poverty Differentials in the Measurement of Aggregate Poverty, Conference on Equity and Efficiency in Institutions	Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi	February 2007
	The Well-Being Implications of a Change in the Sex Ratio of a Population	WIDER Weekly Seminar WIDER, Helsinki, Finland	April 2007
L. Venkatachalam	Behavioral Economics for Environmental Policy, Ninth Biennial Conference of the International Society for Ecological Economics on Ecological Sustainability and Human Well-being	International Society for Ecological Economics New Delhi, India	December 16 - 18, 2006
	Urban Water Sector Reforms and Poverty Reduction: In Search of Appropriate Institutions - A Case Study of Bangalore City, India, Eighth Annual Global Development Conference on Shaping a New Global Reality: The Rise of Asia and its Implications	Global Development Network (GDN) Beijing, China	January 12-19, 2007
	Public-Private Partnership in Urban Water Supply Sector: Issues and Concerns, Conference on Sustainable Development and Livelihoods	Delhi School of Economics New Delhi, India	February 6-8, 2007
A.R.Venkata chalapathy	The Birth of the Author and the Tamil Middle Classes, The New Middle Classes	Institute of Economic Growth, New Delhi	March 15-17, 2007
	The Tamil Public Sphere: The Tamil Author, Vernacular Public Spheres	Yale University, New Haven	April 6-7, 2007
	Copyright and Cultural Icons, South Asia Initiative	Harvard University, Cambridge, Massachusetts	April 10, 2007

Literary Culture in Modern Tamilnadu, Keynote address, The First Norman Cutler Conference on South Asian Literatures	University of Chicago, Chicago	May 4-5, 2007
Grammar, the Frame of Language: Tamil Pandits at the College of Fort St George, The Madras School of Orientalism	University of Michigan Ann Arbor, Michigan	May 11-12, 2007
Print Culture in Colonial Tamilnadu	National Museum of Denmark, Copenhagen	May 30, 2007

Participation in Seminars / Conferences / Workshops

Name	Nature of Participation	Name of Seminar/ Conference / Workshop / Place	Month / Date / Year
Ajit Menon	Lecture	Rural Communities and Natural Resources, Indo-Dutch Course on Marine Resource Management Amsterdam University and Anna University, IOM, Chennai	February 7, 2007
	3 Lectures	Well-being, Equity and Democratic Decentralisation in Natural Resource Management, Short-term Course on Environment and Development, Centre for Interdisciplinary Studies in Environment and Development (CISED), Bangalore	February 15, 2007
	Lecture	Writing Research Proposals, Workshop on Building Research Capacities, Christ College, Bangalore	May 28, 2007
	Lecture	Economics of Common Property Resources, International Workshop on Environment and Resource Economics, Madras School of Economics, Mahabalipuram,	June 29, 2007
	Discussant	Water Access and Conflicts: Implications for Governance, Saciwaters, Hyderabad	March 21, 2007
Ananta Kumar Giri	Lecture	Reflections and Mobilizations: Development as Global Responsibility and the Calling of a Post-Colonial Cosmopolis, Institute of Social Anthropology, University of Zurich	July 4, 2006
	Participant	Nation / Religion, University of Konstanz	July 6-7, 2006
	Lectures	New Horizons of Social Theory and Human Development, Dept. of Sociology, Panjab University, Chandigarh, India	August 9-14, 2006
	Co-organizer	Cosmpolitanism and a New Humanity, Madras Institute of Development Studies, Chennai, India	July 27, 2006
	Co-organizer	Practical Spirituality and Human Development, Indian Business Academy, Bangalore	September 16, 2006

	Organizer	Social Experiments in Modern India with Dr. Karl Julius Reubke from Koln, Germany, Madras Institute of Development Studies, Chennai	September 27, 2006
	Lecture	Transforming Power and Freedom: New Directions in Contemporary Social Theory, Global Studies Program, Institute of Sociology, Freiburg	November 20, 2006
	Lecture	Reflections and Mobilizations: Development as Global Responsibility, University of Manchester	November 27, 2006
	Co-leading a workshop	New Horizons of Human Development: Self-Development and Social Transformations, University of Manchester	December 1, 2006
	Lecture	Beyond Globalization, Institute of Anthropology, Moesgaard, Aarhus University	March 9, 2007
	Lecture	Rethinking Cosmopolitanism, University of Southern Denmark, Esberj	March 12, 2007
	Lecture	Cosmopolitanism and Beyond, Malmo University, Sweden	March 16, 2006
	Organizer	International workshop on Practical Spirituality and Human Dèvelopment, Institute of Sociology, Frieburg	March 25, 2006
	Organizer	International workshop on Cosmopolitanism and Beyond, Institute of Sociology, Freiburg	March 26-27, 2007
	Organizer	Workshop on practical spirituality and human development in Oriya, Prayogasila Adyatimakata o Manabiya Vikasha: Bhumi O Akasha (Practical Spirituality and Human Development: The Ground and the Sky), Sikhasandhana, Bhubaneswar	June 3, 2007
	2 lectures	New Horizons of Sociology of Knowledge: Knowledge and Human Liberation and Knowledge and Critical Theory, Global Studies Program, University of Freiburg	June 27 & June 29, 2007
V. Chandrasekara Naidu	Lecture	Scenario of State Financial Crisis, UGC's Refresher Course to college teachers, University of Madras	November 15, 2006

G.S. Ganesh Prasad	Resource Person	Preparing Training Module, Workshop on People's Plan Preparation, ANSSIRD	September 1 – 2,2006
	Co-ordinator and Resource Person	Workshop on Ethnography inputs – Inter-state perspectives	September 23 – 29, 2006
	Resource Person	Decentralised Planning Exercise, Government of Karnataka	October 5 – 14, 2006
	Resource Person and Moderator	Significance of 73rd and 74th Constitutional Amendments, Research Methodology Workshop, MIDS, Chennai	December 7, 2006
	Resource Person	Issues for Panchayat Helpline, Workshop on Establishing Panchayat Help Line in Karnataka, Government of Karnataka	May 25 – 26, 2007
	Resource Person	Workshop on Baseline Survey under Backward Region Grant Fund (BRGF), Ministry of Panchayati Raj, Government of India	June 4 -5, 2007
S. Janakarajan	Lecture	IWRM, Water Conflicts and MSPs in the context of South Asia, IWRM Staff Training in Sri Lanka Sponsored by Saci WATERs and hosted by PG Institute of Agriculture - Kandy, Sri Lanka	September 13-15, 2006
	Lecture	IWRM policy experience in India, IWRM Staff Training in Sri Lanka, Sponsored by Saci WATERs and hosted by PG Institute of Agriculture - Kandy, Sri Lanka	September 13-15, 2006
	Lecture	Water and environmental laws and governance in India, Course work for American Under-graduate students–from Davidson College, USA Madras Christian College, Tambaram	November 7, 2006
	Lecture	Political economy of groundwater governance in South Asia, International Training and Research Program 2006-2007: Groundwater Governance in Asia - Theory and Practice held at I.I.T Roorkee Campus, Sponsored by IWMI Colombo, and hosted by IIT, Roorkee	November 9, 2006
	Lecture	Groundwater conflicts and conflict resolution mechanisms, International, Training and Research Program 2006-2007: Groundwater Governance in Asia - Theory	November 10, 2006

	and Practice held at I.I.T Roorkee Campus, Sponsored by IWMI Colombo, and hosted by IIT, Roorkee	
Lecture	Federalism and Interstate Water Disputes in India, Course work for American Undergraduate students – from Davidson College, USA, Madras Christian College, Tambaram	November 16, 2006
Lecture / Resource person	Methodological issues involved in village surveys and aspects on data management , Ph.D Research Methodology Workshop, MIDS	December 6-9, 2007
Resource person	Stakeholders' dialogue workshop in the Tungabadra basin, Intertwining river basins – EU project, hosted by EU and SOPPECOM	January 9-10, 2007
Resource person	Disaster management: Present coping strategies and future challenges, UNDP, Chennai	February 9, 2007
Lecture	Sustainability and unsustainability of Development: Theories and practices of conflict resolution in natural resource management, For PG and research students of the Dept.of Ecology, Pondicherry Central University, Pondicherry	March 7, 2007
Resource person	Urban Water 360^0 – Envisioning appropriate models for Indian cities, Arghyam, Bangalore	April 4-5, 2007
Resource person / Discussant	Maharashtra Water Resources Regulatory Authority Act compared with Water resources regulations in Tamilnadu, Consultation on Maharashtra Water Resources Regulatory Authority Act, Gokukh Trust, Pune	April 10-11, 2007
Coordinator	Water Rights: Consultative meeting with delegation from Bolivia, Venezuela, Netherland and the UK, MIDS and PUCL	April 22, 2007
Resource person	Consultative meeting analyzing coastal water bodies NCRC, Mapping of Coastal Water Bodies NGO Coordination and Resource Centre, Nagappatinam, Tamilnadu	February 2, 2007
Co- coordinator	South Asia Water Research Conference: Water Access and Conflicts: Implications for Governance in South Asia, SaciWATERs, Hyderabad, Hosted by Anna University	March 21-22, 2007

	Resource person	State-level consultative meeting on deteriorating conditions of coastal Water Bodies in Nagapattinam district at Chennai, organized by NCRC	April 25, 2007
	Discussant	CMDA Master Plan & Chennai Water Supply, Observers Research Foundation, Chennai Chapter	May 22, 2007
D. Jayaraj	Lecture	Development and Sex Ratio, Refresher Course Programme in Economics, Academic Staff College, and Department of Economics, University of Madras, Chennai	November 2006
	Lecture	Child Labour and Generalised Deprivation, State Level Workshop on Child Labour for Campaign Activities, ICSA, Chennai	24 February
	Lecture	Structural Transformation of the Rural Work force, Visiting Faculty Programme, School of Economics, Madurai Kamaraj University, Madurai	22 March 2007
	Lecture	Three Lectures on Issues Related to Population and Development, MIDS 2007	January-February, 2007
Karen Coelho	Lecture	The Changing City and Urban Reforms: Implications for Organising Women Workers, International Exposure Program for Women Construction Workers Exposure Program, Committee for Asian Women, and Malarchi, CReNEIO, Chennai	August 2006
	Lecture	Public Participation in the context of the JNNURM and Second Master Plan, CMDA's Master Plan and JNNRUM: Do the City's poor have a Voice?, Penn Thozhilalargal Sangam, ICSA	July 2007
C. Lakshmanan	Lecture	Globalisation, Media and Culture, UGC Refresher Course at University of Madras, Chennai	September 2006
	Resource Person and Coordinator	Dalit Culture and Politics in South India, National Conference: Interrogating Dalit Culture and Politics in South India, Dalit Intellectual Collective and Vikas Adhyayan Kendra, Mumbai, Vagamon, Kerala.	December 27-29, 2006

	Lecture	Recommendations of Social Security for Unorganized Workers, Workshop on Social Security for Unorganized Workers, Tamil Nadu Labourer Union and Tamil Nadu Women's Movement, Madurai	January 21, 2007
	3 Lectures	State, Society and Politics, For Ph.D. Students, MIDS	January 2007
	Guest Lecture	State, Market and Development of the Poor, Department of Business Administration, Manonmaniam Sundaranar University, Tirunelveli	February 20, 2007
	Guest Lectures	(a) Origin of Caste in India (b) Annihilation of Caste (c) Reservation Policy, Centre for Ambedkar Studies, Manonmaniam Sundaranar University, Tirunelveli	February 20 - 22, 2007
	Lecture	Dr. B.R. Ambedkar as Nation Builder, Dr. Baba Saheb Ambedkar's Birthday Celebration, Chennai District Cultural Association, Govt. of Tamil Nadu	April 19, 2007
	Discussant	A State Level Discussion on Emerging Dalit Politics: Towards Dalit Political Power, Dalit Resource Centre, Tamilnadu Theological Seminar, Madurai	June 24, 2007
Moana Bhagabati	Resource person	South Asian Conference on Trade and Development, CENTAD	December 19-20, 2006
	Discussant	India's Look-East Policy – a Dialogue, Gawahati University	January 8-10, 2007
	UGC Special Lecture	Unravelling Globalization, St Joseph's College, Trichy	February 13, 2007
	UGC Special Lecture	International Economic Relations: From GATT to WTO, Indira Gandhi College, Trichy	February 28, 2007
	UGC Special Lecture	Understanding GATS, Bharathidasan University, Trichy	March 23, 2007
	25 Lectures	Contemporary International Economy, Dept of Economics, Bharathidasan University, Trichy	January-April 2007
K. Nagaraj	Lecture	The Official Data System of India, Annual Convention of the Subordinate Officers' Union, Dept. of Statistics, Govt. of TN	September 23, 2006

	Lecture	Village Survey Methods, Research Methodology Workshop, MSSRF, Chennai	November 22, 2006
	Lecture	Use of Secondary Data in Research, Research Methodology Workshop, MIDS, Chennai	December 7, 2006
	12 Lectures	Covering Deprivation, Course on Covering Deprivation, ACJ, Chennai	November 2007
Padmini Swaminathan	Keynote Address	Human Resource Development: Issues and Concerns, UGC-Dept of Economics, SDNB Vaishnav College for Women, Chromepet, Chennai	August 11, 2006
	Panelist	Consultation Workshop to discuss the Approach Paper to the Eleventh Five Year Plan, Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Mumbai	August 22, 2006
	Resource Person	South Asian Studies Program of MCC and Davidson College, USA, MCC, Tambaram, Chennai	September 19, 2006
	Inaugural Address	State level Seminar on Rural Development, Department, of Economics, Sacred Heart College, Tirupattur, Tamil Nadu	September 22, 2006,
	Speaker	Regional Workshop on Gender Just Budgeting Women Power Connect, Delhi, Bangalore	October 7, 2006
	Panelist	ICSSR-IDPAD End-Phase Symposium on Development Divide, ICSSR, CESS, Hyderabad	November 1-3, 2006
	Resource Person [2 Lectures]	Refresher Course: Current Issues in Development Department of Economics, University of Madras	November 8, 2006
	Resource Person [2 Lectures]	Refresher Course: Engendering Disciplines, Department of Economics, Bharathidasan University, Trichy	November 11, 2006
	Resource Person [4 Lectures]	National Workshop on Gender Perspective in Economics, Dr. Durgabai Deshmukh Centre for Women's Studies, Andhra University, Visakhapatnam	November 16-18, 2006
	Resource Person	Introductory Course on Research Methodology in Women's Studies, M S Swaminathan Research Foundation, Chennai	November 23, 2006

	Special Address	National Seminar on Development Divides, Stella Maris College, Chennai	December 13, 2006
	Resource Person	National Seminar on Are India's Development Programmes Woman Oriented, Besant College, Mangalore	January 12-13, 2007
	Keynote Address	State level Seminar on Process and Perspectives of Knowledge Management in India, Department of Economics, Holy Cross College, Trichy	February 2, 2007
	Resource Person	National Dialogue on Neo-Imperialism- An Economic Perspective, Loyola College, Chennai	February 8, 2007
	Speaker and Panelist	National Conference on Health, Population and Social Development Issues in Kerala, Tamilnadu, Andhra Pradesh and Karnataka, Population Foundation of India, New Delhi, Hyderabad	February 12, 2007
	Keynote Address	UGC sponsored Workshop on Mainstreaming Gender in Teaching of Economics at the UG level, Padmavati Vishva Vidyalayam, Tirupati	February 26, 2007
	Keynote Address	International Women's Day: An Assessment, National Bank for Rural Development, Chennai	March 8, 2007
	Resource Person	Refresher Course on Women's Studies: An Interdisciplinary Approach, Banasthali Vidyapith, Rajasthan	March 19 2007
	Resource person	Post Graduate Certificate Course on Industrial Health, Sri Ramachandra Medical College and University, Chennai	March 21 2007
	Discussant	International Seminar on Time Use Survey, Ministry of Women and Child Development, CSO, UNDP, World Bank and Centre for Development Alternatives, Goa	May 24-25, 2007
P. Radhakrishnan	Resource person	FAEA annual workshop of cluster colleges FAEA, Delhi, St. Antony's College, Shillong	August 2-3, 2006
K. Sivasubramaniyan	Resource Person	Contract Farming in India, National Seminar on Dimensions of Agriculture Development in India, Department of Economics – Periyar University, Salem, Tamil Nadu	December 15, 2006
	2 Lectures	(i) An Overview of Tank Irrigation in South India (ii) Issues in Rehabilitation of Tanks for Irrigation, Training Programme on Repair, Renovation & Restoration of Water Bodies	March 06, 2006

		directly linked to Agriculture, National Water Academy, GOI, Central Water Commission, Pune, Maharashtra	
L. Venkatachalam	Speaker	Environmental Issues in Tamil Nadu, Regional Stakeholders Meeting, State Planning Commission, Govt. of Tamil Nadu, Trichy, India	December 29, 2006
	Resource Person	New Vistas in Social Sciences – Part 1: Economic Imperialism; and Part 2: How economics has been benefited from other social science discipline, Workshop on New Vistas in Social Sciences, Academic Staff College, Coimbatore, India	February 12, 2007
	Keynote Speaker	Alternative Institutions in Urban Water Supply Sector: A Critique of Public Private Partnership (PPP) Model, Seminar on Institutions for Water Management, Department of Economics, Bharathiar University, Coimbatore, India	February 28, 2007
	Endowment Lecture	Recent Developments in Behavioral Economics, Department Endowment Lecture, Department of Economics, Bharathiar University, Coimbatore,	March 1, 2007
	Resource Person	Economic Valuation of Environmental Services and Damages, Workshop on Environmental and Resource Economics, Madras School of Economics, Chennai, Ideal Beach Resort, Mahapalipuram	June 27, 2007
A.R.Venkata chalapathy	Resource Person	Annual Workshop, National School of Drama, Madurai	December 4, 2007
	Resource Person	Refresher Course for Post-Graduate Tamil teachers of government and aided schools, Directorate of School Education, Chennai	January 12, 2007
	Resource Person	Key Issues, Asian College of Journalism, Chennai	August 2007
	Resource Person	Term Abroad Programme, Augustana College, Chicago, Chennai	April 28, 2007
M. Vijayabaskar	Panelist	Politics of SEZs in India, Special Economic Zones in India- A Panel Discussion, IIT, Madras, Chennai	March 7, 2007

Other Academic Activities

Name	Nature of Academic Activity	Duration
G. S. Ganesh Prasad	Coordinator – Sixth Development Convention on "Transformation, Transition or Stagnation? : Understanding Change in a Globalizing Economy" held at MIDS	February 22–24, 2007
	Member of the Committee on Institute's Service Rules	
S. Janakarajan	Member of the Project Advisory Committee of the Crossing Boundaries project of SaciWATERS, funded by the Netherlands Government through Wageningen University	
	Member of the Core Group SaciWATERs, Hyderabad	
	Vice President of the Governing Board of SaciWATERs, Hyderabad	
	Member of the Doctoral Advisory Committee for a Ph.D student at the Dept of Media Sciences, Anna University	
	Member of the Doctoral Advisory Committee for a Ph.D student at the Dept of Humanities, IIT, Chennai	
	Organizer, multi-stakeholders' dialogue (MSD) in the Palar basin	Since 2002
	Organizer, multi-stakeholders' dialogue (MSD) in the in the Cauvery basin	Since 2003
D. Jayaraj	Member, Doctoral Committee of Mr. S.N Rajesh, Department of Humanities and Social Sciences, IIT, Chennai.	
	Refereed a paper for Journal of World Development	
	External Member Oral Examination Board, constituted to examine Mr. S.N Rajesh, Department of Humanities IIT, Chennai.	
Karen Coelho	Women Construction Workers Exposure Program, organized by Malarchi in collaboration with Committee for Asian Women.	August 2006
	Panelist on Factfinding Mission investigating the social and environmental impacts of the Kodungaiyur dumpyard on its surroundings.	March 2007
	Founder Member and Coordinator of the Citizen's Water Forum, a group formed to build up a citizens' voice in water governance for Chennai and its surrounding areas.	
	Mentoring of final year Environmental Science students from Krishnamurthi Foundation school on projects relating to urban themes – 2006 and 2007	

	Expert critique of Infrastructure chapter of Second Master Plan for Consumer Action Group, Chennai. June/July 2007.	
	Serving on Advisory Committee for the Project on Displaced Populations run by the Social Work Department of Stella Maris College	
Kripa Ananthpur	Member of Board of Studies in Anthropology, University of Madras	2007
	Member of working group on Governance, Government of Tamilnadu	
C. Lakshmanan	Visiting Faculty/ Fellow of ASIHSS programme at the Department of English, University of Hyderabad	February 28 to March 9, 2007
Moana Bhagabati	Visiting Faculty, Dept of Economics, Bharathidasan University, Tiruchillapalli	
K. Nagaraj	Member, Annual Review Committee, Rubber Research Institute, Kottayam, Kerala.	
	Chairman, Working Group on Poverty & Employment, Kerala Planning Board.	
	Member, Management Committee, Development Research Centre, IDS, Sussex.	
	Evaluated a Ph.D. thesis of MG University, Kottayam.	
Padmini Swaminathan	Two Ph.D theses examined	
	M.Phil Dissertation of CDS-JNU	
	Evaluated a Manuscript for Routledge.	
	Member, State Statistical Committee, Govt. of Tamil Nadu	
	Member, Expert Committee set up by High Court of Madras to Clean the Noyyal River	
	Member, Research Institutes Committee, ICSSR	
	Board of Research Studies, University of Madras	
	Member of two Working Groups set up by the Government of Tamil Nadu in connection with the 11th Five year Plan	
	Member of Committee of Group of Feminist Economists for the 11th Five Year Plan set up by Planning Commission, New Delhi	
	Editorial Board, Journal of Entrepreneurship	
	Advisory Board, Gender, Technology and Development	

K. Sivasubramaniyan	Conducted Mid Term Evaluation Study: Commissioned by GOTN, Department of Agriculture, Drought Prone Areas Programme (DPAP), IX Batch Watersheds, Dindigul District, DPAP Wing, GOTN Secretariat CHENNAI-9	July 03, 2006
	Review of Manuscript, Achieving the Millennium Development Goals: An Assessment of India's Progress with Drinking Water Supply, Journal of Environment and Development (University of California, USA)	July 24, 2006
	Member of Committee on 'Brain Storming' Workshop – MDPU. An organ of IAMWARM Project funded by the World Bank, Reforms in Irrigation and Agriculture Systems, Water Resources Organisation, PWD, GoTN, Chepauk	April 20, 2007
	Coordinator, MIDS Monthly Seminar Series	
S. Subramanian	Reviewed articles for the *Economic and Political Weekly* and the *Journal of Human Development*, and a book manuscript for OUP Delhi.	
	One of the three Lead Editors for a Special Issue of the *Journal of Human Development.*	
L. Venkatachalam	Evaluated two Ph.D theses from Department of Economics, Annamalai University.	
	Reviewed a research article for the journal '*Ecological Economics*'	
	Reviewed a research article for *Journal of Environmental Economics and Statistics.*	
A.R. Venkata chalapathy	Member, Book Selection Committee, Directorate of Public Libraries, Government of Tamilnadu	2006-07
	Ethics Committee, Fetal Care Research Foundation, Chennai	2006-07
	Member, Working Group, Art And Culture, State Planning Commission, Government of Tamilnadu	2006-07

Research Projects

(i) Completed Projects

G.S. Ganesh Prasad

- *Satellite based Interactive Training and Communication Program of Gram Panchayat* (SATCOM), funded by Abdul Nazir Sab State Institute of Rural Development, Government of Karnataka.

S. Janakarajan

- *Facilitating negotiations over water conflicts in peri-urban catchments* (NEGOWAT), funded by DFID.
- *A book in Tamil on water governance*, funded by IDRC, New Delhi.

Padmini Swaminathan and **S. Anandhi**

- *Women's Studies in Tamil Nadu - A Survey,* funded by M & E Adiseshiah Trust.

K. Sivasubramaniyan

- *Water Use Efficiency and Land and Water Productivity in Tank Irrigation System: An Appraisal,* A Collaborative Project with IWMI-TATA Water Policy Programme, Anand, Gujarat.

(ii) Ongoing Projects

Ananta Kumar Giri

- *Education Movements of India,* funded by ICSSR.
- *Self Development and Social Transformation,* funded by ICSSR.

G.S. Ganesh Prasad and **M. Thangaraj**

- *State Development Report of Pondicherry,* funded by Planning Commission, Government of India.

Karen Coelho

- *Urban Collective Actors,* funded by Institute of Development Studies, Sussex.

Kripa Ananthpur

- *Centre for Future State*, funded by Institute of Development Studies, Sussex, UK.

S. Janakarajan

- *Adaptation and Livelihood Resilience*, funded by Institute for Social and Environmental Transition – Nepal (ISET-N).
- *MIDS Stakeholders' Dialogue*, funded by MIDS from faculty time contribution.

K. Nagaraj

- *Comprehensive Health Plan for a Panchayat in Coastal Karnataka,* funded by ILO.

P. Radhakrishnan

- *Science, Technology and Social Sciences,* funded by MHRD.

K. Sivasubramaniyan

- *Management of Irrigation and Its Effect on Productivity under Parambikulam Aliyar Project – A Resurvey,* funded by ICSSR.

L. Venkatachalam

- *Appropriate Institutions for Urban Water Sector Reforms: A Case Study of Bangalore City, India,* funded by Global Development Network, USA.

A. R. Venkatachalapathy

- *The Indo-Danish Cultural Encounter with Special Reference to Print in the Eighteenth Century,* funded by The Tranquebar Initiative of the National Museum of Denmark.

M. Vijayabaskar and **Karen Coelho**

- *Neighbourhood Associations As Urban Collective Actors: A Comparative Study of Bangalore and Chennai,* funded by Institute of Development Studies, Sussex, UK.

Seminars by Faculty and Students

Topic	Presented by	Date
Interventions for the Poor: Competing Rationalities in Public Provisioning	K. Jayashree Research Scholar, MIDS	23-01-2007
Ensuring Water Security – Community Initiatives and Management Practices	J. Srinath Part time Ph.D. Scholar, MIDS	26-03-2007
Democratic Governance – An Introduction to National and International Discourse	Swapna Giridhar Part time Ph.D. Scholar, MIDS	26-03-2007
Education and Labour Market in Kerala's Changing Development Narrative: The case of IT Labour Market	Sajin Philip Research Scholar, MIDS	24-04-2007
Agrarian Changes in Tamilnadu since 1975	Anbu Packiaraj Research Scholar, MIDS	24-04-2007
Structure and Transformation of the Household industries in Tamilnadu with special reference to Silk weaving – The case of Arni	N. A. Arivukkarasi Research Scholar, MIDS	24-04-2007
Climate Change Vulnerability and Adaptation Strategies in Coastal Regions of Orissa	Chandra Sekhar Bahinipati Research Scholar, MIDS	24-04-2007
Assessing the 'Lowness' of the Sex Ratio in India: Some Issues for Consideration	D. Jayaraj Professor, MIDS	26-04-2007
Film on Global Warming Titled "An Inconvenient Truth"	S. Janakarajan Professor, MIDS	22-06-2007

Seminars by Visiting Scholars

Topic	Presented by	Date
Globalization, Market Ideology and Human Rights	Satish K. Jain Professor of Economics Centre for Economic Studies and Planning School Of Social Sciences Jawaharlal Nehru University	19-07-2006
Challenges Facing Econometrics in the 21st Century	Jaya Krishnakumar Prof. of Econometrics University of Geneva, Switzerland	28-07-2006
From Indicators to Entitlements: Reconstructing the Argument for Reservations	Satish Deshpande Department of Sociology Delhi School of Economics, Delhi	17-08-2006
Everyday Lives: Everyday Histories	Uma Chakravarti Formerly Professor of History Miranda House, Delhi	20-11-2006
Understanding the Dalit Movement in Northern India: A Perspective From Below	Vivek Kumar Associate Professor Centre for the Study of Social Systems Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi	18-12-2006
India's Forgotten Economists: Some Aspects of the Emergence of the Economics Profession in India, c.1900-c.1930.	J. Krishnamurty Retired ILO official Researcher and international consultant	09-01-2007
Marriage and Modernity: A Tamil Brahman Case Study	Professor Chris Fuller & Ms. Haripriya London School of Economics, London	29-01-2007
Role of Social Norms in Economics	Professor Kaushik Basu C. Marks Professor, Cornell University, USA	22-02-2007
Towards Faster and More Inclusive Growth – Reflections on the 11th Five Year Plan	Prof. K. L. Krishna Prof. Kuldip Mathur Dr. S. K. Rao Dr. T.V. Somanathan Prof. T. C. Ananth Prof. Kaushik Basu	23-02-2007
India's New Communal Violence Bill	Usha Ramanathan Advocate, New Delhi	28-02-2007

Who's Afraid of the Wolfowitz Bank?: Analyzing the World Bank's Latest 'Project of Development'	Michael Goldman Professor of Sociology and Global Studies University of Minnesota, USA	05-03-2007
Modernity and Status Autonomy: Reflections on a Survey of Two Tamil Villages	Dr. Frank Heidemann Professor, Institut für Ethnologie und Afrikanistik, Universität München, Germany	16-3-2007
Intra-Household Resource Allocation, Child Labour, and School Enrollment: Evidence from Andhra Pradesh	Takashi Kurosaki Professor, Institute of Economic Research Hitotsubashi University, Japan	28-3-2007
Caste Formations in Early 20th Century: Historiographical Approaches	Sumit Sarkar Formerly Professor of History Delhi University, Delhi	29-3-2007
Singur, Nandigram, and the current West Bengal situation	Sumit Sarkar Formerly Professor of History Delhi University, Delhi	30-3-2007
Politics of Energy Sector in the UK	Barbara Harriss White Queen Elizabeth House London	12-04-2007
Social Alliance of BSP in Indian Politics and Democratic Experiment	Vivek Kumar Associate Professor Jawaharlal Nehru University New Delhi	07-06-2007

Affiliates

Name & Institution	Topic	Guide
Buckingham Jane Mariow Senior Lecturer in South Asian History, School of History University of Canterbury Christchurch, New Zealand	The Social History of Colonial Madras: Focusing on the Poor, Infirm and Prisoners (1770-1860)	Prof. A.R.Venkatachalapathy
Liang Yongjia Lecturer, Dr. School of Sociology, China University of Political Science and Law Changping, Beijing	How Indian People Remember the Tsunami: An Anthropological Study.	Dr. V. Chandrasekara Naidu
K.A. Manikumar Professor of History Manonmanium Sundaranar University, Tirunelveli	Monograph on Muthugulathur Rights and a Monograph on Cotton Economy	Prof. K. Nagaraj
Nathalie Peyer University of Bern Institute fur Ethnologie Langgassstr.494, Switzerland	Women Strategies in Resolving Martial Conflicts in Madurai	Dr. Ananta Kumar Giri
Rajan Krishnan Faculty Fellow Columbia University	Indian Cinema or Indian Cinemas? Cultural Difference and Cinema in Tamil Nadu	Dr. S. Anandhi
Sharada Srinivasan Research Fellow, Institute of Social Studies, The Hague, The Netherlands	Childhood Experiences of Gender Violence in Tamil Nadu	Prof. K. Nagaraj

Doctoral Candidates

- **Anbu Packiaraj**, Agricultural Transformation in Tamilnadu, Guide : *Prof. K. Nagaraj*
- **Ann George**, Issues on well-being: A study with reference to Kerala, Guide : *Prof. Padmini Swaminathan*
- **M. Arivalagan**, Forests, Environmental Change and Tribal Communities in Colonial Tamilnadu, Guide : *Prof. A. R. Venkatachalapathy*
- **N.A. Arivukkarai**, Structural Changes - A Case of Silk Weaving in Arani, Guide : *Prof. K. Nagaraj*
- **J. Balasubramaniam**, Dalit and Tamil Print Media: A Historical Study, Guide : *Prof. A.R. Venkatachalapathy*
- **C.S. Chandra Sekhara Bahinipati**, Vulnerability to Climate Change in India: A Case Study of Analysis of the Coastal Districts of Orissa, Guide : *Prof. S. Janakarajan*
- **V. Gandhiraj**, Changing Phase of Irrigation Tanks with Special Reference to Two Large Tanks in Tamilnadu, Guide : *Dr. K. Sivasubramaniyan*
- **Gayathri Balagopal**, Migration in Kerala : A Historical Project, Guide : *Prof. K. Nagaraj*
- **K. Jayashree**, Enhancing Capability through Public Policy: A study with reference to working of Public Distribution System (PDS) in the state of Tamilnadu, Guide : *Prof. Padmini Swaminathan*
- **Jerome Samraj C.**, The Question of Land to the Dalits: A Historical Perspective, Guide : *Dr. M. Thangaraj*
- **K. Kalpana**, Rural Credit, Guide : *Prof. K. Nagaraj*
- **S. Kumaran**, Public Expenditure in Tamilnadu with Special Reference to Social Sector Development, Guide: *Prof. K. Nagaraj*
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- **R. Nithya**, Human Rights and Health in India, Guide : *Prof. P. Radhakrishnan*
- **Rajakishor Mahana**, Bondo Highlanders at the Crossroad of Development and Change: A Critique and a Plea, Guide : *Dr. Ananta Kumar Giri*
- **S. Revathi**, Practice of Ethno-medicine: A Study among Tribals in Tamilnadu, Guide : *Prof. P. Radhakrishnan*
- **Sajin Philip**, Education and Labour Market in Kerala's Changing Development Narrative, Guide : *Dr. M. Vijayabaskar*
- **Sushanta Kumar Mahapatra**, Intricacies of Canal Irrigation Management and Water Governance in Orissa: The Case of Hirakud Command Area, Guide : *Prof. S. Janakarajan*
- **M. Velusamy**, Community Development and Dalit Welfare in Tamilnadu, Guide : *Prof. P. Radhakrishnan*
- **T. V. Vijayan**, Education and Society in India, Guide : *Prof. P. Radhakrishnan*

Academic Activities of Research Scholars

(a) Papers presented in Seminars / Conferences / Workshops

Name	Title of Paper	Sponsoring Institution	Month / Date / Year
K. Kalpana	Self Help groups and the State in India: Confronting multiple patriarchies	Institute of Development Studies, Sussex	19 April 2007
		University of Bristol	23 April 2007
	Micro-credit and gender relations: Opportunities and Challenges	Queen Elizabeth House, Oxford	24 April 2007
K. Jayashree	Debating Participation: Organic Lessons for Practice Perspectives from Literature	Development Convention 2007, MIDS	24 February 2007

(b) Book reviews / papers published in Journal / Magazine / News paper

Name	Title	Journal / Magazine / News paper	Month / Date / Year
K. Kalpana	'Exposing the media spiel on rural women' in 21st Century Journalism in India', ed. by Nalini Rajan	Sage publications	2007

Academic Activities of Non-Faculty Personnel

(a) Papers presented in Seminars / Conferences / Workshops

Name	Title of Paper	Sponsoring Institution	Month / Date / Year
V. Jacob John	Special address and Paper for Seminar on 'Neo Imperialism and Idea of Free Markets', National dialogue on New Imperialism: An Economic Perspective	Department of Economics Loyola College, Chennai	Feb. 9, 2007
	Classroom and Time Management Strategies	UGC National Workshop on Enhancing Educational Excellence, Velammal Engg. College, Chennai	July 28, 2006

(b) Participation in Seminars / Conferences / Workshops

Name	Nature of Participation	Name of Seminar/ Conference / Workshop	Month /
V. Jacob John	Participant	Seminar on Media's role in building a vibrant SME sector sponsored by Public Relations Council of India, Chennai	January 31, 2007
	Participant	Lecture on 'Higher Education and an Inclusive Development', University of Madras, Chennai	March 3, 2007
	Lecture	Special invited Lectures on 'Succession, Organisational Excellence, Talent and Performance Management', S.A. Engg. College, Chennai	October 7, 2006
	Chairperson	Key note address on Workshop on the Theme 'Towards attaining UN Millennium Development Goals', St. Thomas College of Arts and Science, Chennai	October 18, 2006
	Resource Person	Career guidance, Counseling and Interview Techniques, Jeppiar Engg. College, Chennai	November 18, 2006
	Lecture	WTO and its implications for India, Department of International Studies, Stella Maris College, Chennai	December 9, 2006
	Chairperson	Interactive session on 'Indian Culture, Globalisation and Ethics', Students from Lund University, Sweden, Temple bay, Mamallapuram	January 30, 2007

Lecture	State, Markets and International Organisation, Dept. of International Studies, Stella Maris College, Chennai	March 3, 2007
Lecture	Union Budget 2007, AIMA, Loyola College, Chennai	March 16, 2007
Lecture	Business Environment and Legal Perspectives, MBA Students, Madurai Kamaraj University, Chennai	April 24, 2007
Lecture	Ethics and Profession, MA Chidambaram College of Nursing, Chennai	April 7, 2007
Lecture	Global Competitiveness and Indian Industry, AIMA, Loyola College, Chennai	April 28, 2007
Lecture	Standard of Living and Quality of Life, AIMA, Loyola College, Chennai	June 9, 2007

(c) Other Academic Activities

Name	Nature of Academic Activity	Month / Date / Year
V. Jacob John	External Examiner and question paper Setter, Stella Marys College, Chennai	2007
	External Examiner and question paper Setter, Engg. Ethics, ECE, Anna University, Chennai	2007
	Supervised and guided Ten M.B.A. Projects, Pondicherry University and Loyola College, Chennai	2007
	Member, Class Committee, Dept. of Management Studies, Anna University, Chennai	2007
	Member, Doctoral Committee, Dept. of Management Studies, Satyabama University, Chennai	2007
	Visiting Professor, PG Students of Master in Foreign Trade on Foreign Trade Policy and M.B.A. for International Business Management; M.B.A. in Human Resource Management; Twinning programme of Pondicherry University and Loyola College, Chennai	2007
	Guest Faculty, M.B.A. Department, Anna University, Chennai	2007

Financial Statement

Receipts and Payment A/c for the year ended 31st March 2007

RECEIPTS		Rs. P.
To Opening Balance		
Cash at Banks		
IOB SB 8322	Main	14181261.33
IOB CD 2524	Salary	412519.40
IOB SB 22109	Pay Arrears	231289.70
IOB SB 8425	Gratuity	31646.63
IOB SB 15539	Building	21717.61
Direct Incomes	Sch-I	16378103.00
Indirect Incomes / Other Receipts	Sch-II	895415.50
TOTAL		**32151953.17**

PAYMENTS			Rs. P.
By Salary & Allowances		Sch-III	13077698.00
Library		Sch-IV	626940.65
Research Programmes		Sch-V	977690.70
Computer - Maintenance		Sch-VI	269091.21
Research Publications		Sch-VII	77518.00
Printing & Stationery		Sch-VIII	132629.50
Postage, Telephone, Fax		Sch-IX	254112.76
Travelling Expenses		Sch-X	319026.25
Campus		Sch-XI	750636.20
Vehicles - Maintenance		Sch-XII	127138.00
Contingency & Other Administration		Sch-XIII	10346046.80
Fixed Assets - Additions		Sch-XIV	96810.00
Other Deposits		Sch-XV	14350.00
Closing Balance			
Cash at Bank	IOB SB 8322 (Main)		4599850.76
	IOB CD 2524 (Salary)		94241.40
	IOB SB 22109 (Pay Arrears)		363847.70
	IOB SB 8425 (Gratuity)		2255.63
	IOB SB 15539 (Building)		22069.61
TOTAL			**32151953.17**

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Income and Expenditure A/c for the year ended 31st March 2007

Expenditure		Rs. P.	Income		Rs. P.
To			By		
Salary & Allowances	Sch-XVIII	12977698.00	Direct Incomes	Sch-XVI	18310000.00
Library	Sch-XIX	52320.00	Indirect Incomes/ Other Receipts	Sch-XVII	2897961.78
Research Programmes	Sch-XX	758375.80			
Computer - Maintenance	Sch-XXI	269091.21			
Research Publications	Sch-XXII	77518.00			
Printing & Stationery	Sch-XXIII	132629.50			
Postage, Telephone, Fax	Sch-XXIV	254112.76			
Travelling Expenses	Sch-XXV	319026.25			
Campus	Sch-XXVI	750636.20			
Vehicles - Maintenance		127138.00			
Contingency & Other Administration	Sch-XXVIII	228636.80			
Excess of Income Over Expenditure		5260779.26			
TOTAL		**21207961.78**	**TOTAL**		**21207961.78**

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Balance Sheet as on 31st March, 2007

Previous Year	Liabilities	Rs. P.	Rs. P.	Previous Year	Assets	Rs. P.	Rs. P.
23108776.95	Accumulated Fund Sch-XXIX		18947711.20	22601648.03	Fixed Assets (Sch-XXXI)		23273468.68
				295276.55	Current Assets & Deposits (Sch-XXXII)		189755.55
3000000.00	Donations - Infosys		3000000.00	4824212.00	*Loans & Advances (Sch-XXXIII)*		6416278.28
				23296.10	Sundry Debtors (Sch-XXXIV)		13180.00
					Receivables from T.N.Govt. for		
20659193.40	Current Liabilities Sch-XXX		19129236.41	682000.00	Grant-Library (1999-2000)		682,000.00
				750000.00	Grant-Library (2000-2001)		750,000.00
				825000.00	Grant-Library (2001-2002)		825,000.00
					Maintenance-Grant		
					Grant-in-Aid (1998-1999) (Adhoc)		430000.00
				1290000.00	Grant-in-Aid (2000-2001) (Recurring)		1290000.00
					Grant-in-Aid (2000-2001) (Adhoc)		100000.00
					Grant-in-Aid (2004-2005) (Adhoc)		400000.00
				598103.00	Grant-in-Aid (2005-2006) (Adhoc)		500000.00
					Grant-in-Aid (2006-2007) (Adhoc)		1100000.00
					Receivable from ICSSR (Convention on Development 2006-2007)		25000.00
					Closing Balance		
					Cash at Bank		
				14181261.33	IOB SB 8322 (Main)		4599850.76
				412519.40	IOB CD 2524 (Salary)		94241.40
				231289.70	IOB SB 22109 (Pay Arrears)		363847.70
				31646.63	IOB SB 8425 (Gratuity)		2255.63
				21717.61	IOB SB 15539 (Building)		22069.61
46767970.35	**TOTAL**		**41076947.61**	**46767970.35**	**TOTAL**		**41076947.61**

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